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An Indian cause célèbre was that in which Kharag Bahadur Singh, a brilliant Nepalese law student, was tried for the murder of Hira Lal Agarwala, a Marwari millionaire.

The unwritten law was pleaded in extenuation.

A dramatic statement was made by the accused. He claimed that he killed Hira Lal Agarwala because the deceased had purchased a Nepalese girl for Rs. 1,300, and that he had ruined the girl and made her a plaything for himself and his friends and given her a hideous disease.

The accused held that he did right before God and man in killing the monster who ruined a girl of his country.

Blow Against: "Human Traffic."

"I could not think any duty more dear," he exclaimed to a crowded court, "than that the wicked should be punished and taught to respect the motherhood of women and that society should be made aware of the cancerous evil corroding the very vital parts and that the State should be made aware of the existence of a very widespread organisation being carried on under its very nose, ever eluding its keen eyes—the heastly human traffic, relic of barbarous times and a disgrace to civilised government."

The girl is a great granddaughter of Sir Jamn Bahadur, late Maharaja of Nepal.

The Crown Prosecutor, in asking for a verdict of guilty of murder, quoted historic examples of murder from high motives and instanced that of Brutus killing Caesar.

Impassioned Defence: "This Reptile."

Mr. Langford James, India's Marshall Hall, made an impassioned demand to the jury for the acquittal of the accused.

He described graphically the kidnapping and sale of the girl to Hira Lal, and the indescribable outrages and drunken orgies at his house.

"The accused, seeing a young and beautiful girl, descendant of the Royal Family of Nepal, brutally outraged, determined to kill this reptile. He meant to inflict severe punishment."

"I deny that the murder of Hira Lal is a menace to Indian society, which is better for his removal."

"I submit that the jury could not convict a boy inspired by the highest motives of murder."

The jury, to whom the Judge put three charges, brought in a unanimous verdict of not guilty of murder; by a small majority guilty of attempted murder; and a unanimous verdict of guilty of the third charge, peculiar to the Indian Penal Code, of "causing grievous hurt with a deadly weapon."

They strongly recommended him to mercy.

The judge sentenced accused to eight years' rigorous imprisonment.

PRINCE GEORGE AS A DANCER.

SHOREDITCH GIRLS' STORIES OF THEIR PARTNER.

Prince George was the talk of the girls of Shoreditch the other day. When visiting the Town Hall, he danced the Charleston a number of times at a charity ball in aid of the Shoreditch Infant Welfare Centre.

"I was surprised when Prince George, who danced with me, told me that that was only the second time he had danced the Charleston," Miss Violet Varnall, sister of the Mayor of Shoreditch, told the Evening Standard. "The band outpaced us for a moment, but he laughed, and after a second's hesitation we carried on dancing again. He danced with a number of girls, for two hours altogether."

One girl with whom the Prince danced was Miss Willing. "The Prince danced the Charleston very smoothly," said Miss Willing. "And when he found that I could do the sidestep we did that too. We stuck to the 'ftt' Charleston and did not attempt any kicking."

LOOK OUT!

Molly Kennedy

DON'T MISS HER—NEXT WEEK—ROYAL NAVAL THEATRE.

SIR WALTER CONGREVE, V.C.

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FEARLESS AND CONSIDERATE.

General Sir Walter Congreve, the late Governor of Malaya, won his V.C. in the attempt to save the guns at Colenso, in which his companion, Lord Robert's only son, was killed.

In the Great War he achieved a wider fame and popularity as commander of the 6th (Regular) Division, and was subsequently promoted to an Army Corps. In the division he was esteemed for his absolute sangfroid and liked for the courtesy and consideration he showed even to the humblest subaltern or private.

If he had a fault it was a tendency to speechmaking, but this was a vice so common among generals that it attracted no special attention. None the less, if we ever have another war, it might be noted by the War Office that no one really likes being told beforehand that he will die like a hero the very next Wednesday.

A Helpful General.

Congreve was in many respects the ideal of a regular soldier—so fearless and so considerate.

The visits of these distinguished generals to the front line were a terror. His appearances were a real pleasure. He did not come to find fault, but to help.

Now have you any special difficulties to contend with in this sector?" One would suppose a problem, and he would reply, "Well, if I were you, I would do this—but, of course, you are in command here, and must make up your own mind."

"How Do I Get Into The Crater."

In the retaking of the trenches at Hooge in August, 1915 (writes a correspondent), I saw him in action. He came strolling up to an unhealthy second line trench, about 300 yards behind the firing line in the recaptured territory, which I was holding.

After a genial chat about burying the dead, he asked, "And now, how do I get into the crater?" The landscape at the time was being promiscuously dotted with whizz-bangs and to get to the crater involved walking up the Menin road over the skyline in plain view of the enemy, and then dropping down about sixty yards.

I gave the General his directions as added, "But I feel bound to tell you, sir, it is extremely dangerous." He just smiled at me in a pitying, kindly sort of way, and walked over the crest. A great gentleman.

"Molly Kennedy," at Royal Naval Canteen Theatre, 8.30 p.m.

"Bluebell's" Entertainment Party at Tai Koo Club, Hong Kong Dance Club opening dance, Lane, Crawford's, 9 p.m. Principal mails:—Outward: Europe via Marseilles (Antenor), 10.30.

Thursday.

H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament (details in sports column daily). Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy, and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.

Choral Evensong, St. John's Cathedral, 5.45 p.m. Dinner dance, Cafe Parisien, 8 p.m.

"Molly Kennedy," at Royal Naval Canteen Theatre, 8.30 p.m.

Friday.

3rd Ordinary annual meeting Hong Kong and Territorial Estates, Ltd., St. George's Building, 2.30 p.m.

H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament (details in sports column daily). Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy, King Edward Hotel, and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.

Dinner dance, Cafe Parisien, 8 p.m.

"Molly Kennedy," at Royal Naval Canteen Theatre, 8.30 p.m.

H.K. Philharmonic Society present "H.M.S. Pinafore," Theatre Royal, 9.30 p.m. Principal Mails:—Inward: Canada, U.S.A., etc. (Empress of Russia).

THE WEEK'S DIARY.

To-day.

Entries close for Lawn Bowls Open Championship.

Football and Cricket: Details in to-day's issue.

Regatta and Gymkhana. Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club.

Central British School Annual Sports, King's Park.

"Closing Day," Kowloon Bowling Green Club and distribution of prizes.

Golf: Captain's Cup, Fanning. Dockland English School prize distribution by Prof. C. A. Middleton.

Smith, Chinese Y.M.C.A., 2 p.m. Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.

St. Stephen's College Founder's Day celebration. Prize Distribution by Mr. W. W. Hornell, C.I.E., M.A. (Vice-Chancellor University).

Great Hall, University, 7.30 p.m. Dinner dance, Cafe Parisien, 8 p.m.

H.M.S. Froisher dance, Hotel Savoy, 8.30 p.m.

"Hong Kong Philharmonic Society present "H.M.S. Pinafore," Theatre Royal, 9.30 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "For Heaven's Sake."

World Theatre: "The Lucky Devil."

Star Theatre: "The Ne'er Do Well."

Principal Mails:—Outward: Europe via Marseilles (Macedonia), 10.30 a.m.

Sunday.

Fanning Hunt Meet, Sheung Shui Police Station, 9.30 a.m.

Golf: Captain's Cup; Royal Hong Kong Golf Club v. Army Golfing Society.

Cricket: Volunteers: Mr. A. A. Rumsdell's XI, University ground, 11 a.m.

Social Gathering, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 7 p.m. (Service Men Invited).

Principal Mails:—Inward: U.S.A., Canada, etc. (President Jackson), 10.30 a.m.

Monday.

Golf: Captain's Cup, Fanning.

Entries close for Volunteer Corps Annual Rifle Meeting.

Annual Meeting of General Committee of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals, Chamber of Commerce Room, 12.30 p.m.

St. Paul's College sports, H.K. F.C. ground, Happy Valley, 1.30 p.m.

H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament (details in sports column daily).

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy, King Edward Hotel, and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.

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Principal Mails:—Inward: Australia, etc. (Arafura). Outward: Europe via Siberia (Tenyo Maru), 10.30 a.m.

Tuesday.

H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament (details in sports column daily).

Sanitary Board Meetings, 4.15 p.m.

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.

Dinner dance, Cafe Parisien, 8 p.m.

Dance for Army Chaplain's Fund, R.E. Theatre, Wellington Barracks, 8.30 p.m., "Semrah" Orchestra.

Principal Mails:—Outward: Canada, U.S.A., etc., and Europe via Victoria, B.O. (President Pierce), 5 p.m.

Wednesday.

H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament (details in sports column daily).

Entries close for 2nd Extra Race Meeting, 4 p.m.

Tea dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy, King Edward Hotel and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.

H.K. Philharmonic Society present "H.M.S. Pinafore," Theatre Royal, 4.30 p.m.

Football: H.K.F.C. Reserves v. University Club ground, Happy Valley, 5 p.m.

Hong Kong Baseball Association annual meeting, American Consulate-General, 5.30 p.m.

Dinner dance, Cafe Parisien, 8 p.m.

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CHIANG KAI SHEK THE NEXT
"OBJECTIVE."COMMUNIST TREACHERY SEEKING HIS
DESTRUCTION.MR. GEORGE SOKOLSKY'S DESCRIPTION OF
REVOLUTIONIST METHODS.

With the fall of Nanking to the Nationalist Army, the entire aspect of Nationalist politics is bound to change, writes George E. Sokolsky in the *North-China Daily Press*. The importance of the Nanking campaign can only be measured by the fact that General Chiang is conducting it personally, that he has established his headquarters at Wuhu and that he will take up his headquarters at Nanking as soon as his troops are in possession of that city.

The fact that General Chiang Kai Shek is removing his person as far as possible from Hankow is also a matter of political pertinence in view of the outspoken manner in which he has criticized Hankow and, particularly, Mr. George Hsu Chien, the leading Communist and Comrade Borodin. The army here is loyal to General Chiang Kai Shek. The entire south-eastern group of armies, that is, those in Kwangtung, Fukien, Chekiang and Kiangsu may be relied upon being loyal to him and being anti-communist.

It was not expected in the original military programme of the Nationalist Army that the south of the Yangtze would be in Nationalist possession before June. With Nanking taken, the entire south has come over to them. The capture of such a jewel as Shanghai was unexpected, the Shanghai troops doing nothing until they found themselves hemmed in at the North Station with no possibility of retreat. There is no need for recapitulating the facts of the recent struggle about Shanghai, but what happened here was typical of every battle in Chekiang and Kiangsu.

That brings, except for a small bit of land in Honan, a clear-cut division of China into North and South with the Yangtze as the line of demarcation. It is now of no importance whether there is an actual agreement between Marshal Chiang Tso Lin and General Chiang Kai Shek. That is secondary to the fact that both are anxious that the war should cease so that they can consolidate their own territory. Marshal Chiang Tso Lin is faced by the fact that most of his allies have been demoralized, that his own treasury is bare and that his prestige has waned. He must have a respite to save himself from possible automatic defections in the north.

Chiang Kai Shek's Serious Position.
General Chiang Kai Shek is, however, in a much more serious situation, for he is now faced by the fact that the Communist Party of China definitely seeks to destroy not only his political position in the Nationalist Government and Kuomintang Party but his entire influence in China. He seeks to remove him from his command. They have denounced and discredited most of his acts. In spite of the fact that he and his army have been winning a successful war, General Chiang has been subjected to a political gruel as though he had failed. The Communist object is clearly to remove him as soon as his work in winning over South China by military force has been completed. General Chiang has known, since a year ago, that the Communists would seek to destroy him. What plans he has laid

to save himself are fairly well known. The only question is: Has he the courage in the face of the efficient and tremendous cohesive Communist organization in his territory, to put his plans into execution? If he has not, in a few months his name will no longer appear in the daily press as a factor in the current situation.

Force and Intimidation.

The power of the C.P. has too often been underestimated. Even those who have been closely in contact with it and have attempted to fight it from within have underestimated its effectiveness. The power of the C.P. comes from the use of force and intimidation. Whereas every other group in China have utilized the influence of the upper or middle classes, the C.P. has made its appeal solely to the lower classes, who in communistic parlance have nothing to lose but their chains and therefore can take any chances for some slight, even some illusive, gain.

Cunning, Cosmopolitan Schemers.

The backbone of the C.P. is a group of foreigners, Russians, Germans, Americans and others, schooled in revolutionary methods and experience, who keep the organization moving with western speed and efficiency. None of the usual Chinese political methods are tolerated. Whenever a personality becomes too popular or too powerful, the whole organization is bent to destroy what they call the dangers of Napoleonism, the possibility of a return to Tschinism.

This foreign organization permeates everything in Nationalist territory and even General Chiang Kai Shek has not been able to free his army from it. It spies, it watches, it controls. Working with it are the smallest possible number of Chinese, who are placed on every commission and in every key position, so that the group as a unit can control no matter who may be the individual whose name appears in the press as important.

Divide and Destroy.

The only Chinese who can prevent it from dominating China to-day, are General Chiang Kai Shek and Tang Seng Chi. The machine realized the danger to itself of a coalition of these powerful military men, both technicians in outlook, both capable, both selfish. In dealing with them, the machine followed the principle which has worked so successfully in all their enterprises: join and divide from within. They worked with General Tang Seng Chi until they had built him up as a potential successor of General Chiang Kai Shek and then they played upon the jealousies usual with Chinese officials. They even used General Chiang's efforts to placate them as a means to separate him from General Tang.

CHINESE ACTOR TO DIE.

FATAL END TO PETTY
QUARREL.

KUALA LUMPUR, March 21st.
At the Selangor Assizes, before the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gompertz), the whole of the opening day was taken up with the trial of a young Chinese actor, named Lee Ah Kai, who was charged with the murder of a fellow actor, named Fong Ah Kee, on January 23rd last, near the Chinese Theatre in Sultan Street.

Messrs. J. E. Catt and C. J. Arnold sat with his Lordship as assessors and the accused was defended by Mr. S. M. Sharma who was assigned. The D.P.P. (Mr. W. Burton) prosecuted.

The story for the prosecution was that the deceased and the accused were fellow actors in the Chinese theatre in Sultan Street. About a month previous to the murder these

two people had a quarrel about something to do with a cooking pan.

A Previous Fracas.

On that occasion the accused was wounded on his knee and that matter was referred to the theatre committee who decided that the deceased should pay the accused all expenses incurred in connection with the treatment of the wound.

The deceased apparently did not pay this money. On January 23rd the accused went into the house of the deceased and deceased, chased him out. While he was being pursued, however, he stabbed backwards mortally wounding the other.

The defence was that accused went there with a friend and demanded payment of the money when deceased attacked them with a knife. Accused's friend thereupon wrenched the knife out of his hand and stabbed him.

The assessors brought in a verdict of "guilty" and his Lordship passed sentence, of death.—*Strait Times*.

EUGENE CHEN AND
CHANG TSUNG
CHANG.MODERN AND ANCIENT
TYPES OF CHINA.MR. CHEN'S "SUBTLE AND
PROGRESSIVE MIND."

An interesting light is thrown on the personality and aims of Mr. Eugene Chen, the Cantonese leader, by Mr. E. M. Gull, late secretary of the Associated British Chambers of Commerce in China and Hong Kong. He has spent twenty years in China. "My first recollection of Mr. Chen is of a voluble talker with inkstained fingers and long, dishevelled hair, who at that time—1916—was editing a paper called the *Peking Gazette*," said Mr. Gull in an interview with a representative of the *London Daily Telegraph*. "Very hard he worked at it, too, living, eating, and sleeping amongst his files. He spoke English perfectly, and wrote it with a certain Macaulay-like pomposity. By this time, no doubt, he has acquired a good working knowledge of his own language, which, of course, he could talk in its Cantonese form when I first met him, but which, it was commonly said, he could not read. His career has been a varied and very uncertain one. He does not really step into the picture until 1925 as Foreign Minister of the Cantonese Government.

The contrast between the rather sketchy, volatile journalist and the solid, sedate man of affairs into which he has grown is very striking. When I met him last October he had become very much more circumspect in appearance, and although still voluble, he was more direct in his talk. Indeed, his directness took one's breath away. He used the words—'I warn you,' and went on to say that there was going to be more serious trouble on the Yangtze than there had been before. When I suggested to him in the most guarded way that the Cantonese might succeed in annoying the British Empire he not merely affected most complete indifference, but was at no pains to conceal his belief that in so unfortunate an event things might go rather badly with the British Empire.

"Unquestionably Genuine."

"I do not want to give you the impression that Chen is merely bombastic and nothing more. He is unquestionably genuine—he is animated by a thoroughly sincere desire for a better government in China, and he is dominated by the conception of a reorganized China, free from foreign tutelage in any form and recognized as an equal amongst equals. He has the qualifications for leadership—enthusiasm, self-sacrifice, fire—and his life is daily and hourly given to the realization of his great conception. There is no doubt that he inspires the Chinese with whom he comes in contact. You must remember, however, that many of the Chinese with whom he comes into the closest touch are very different both in quality and outlook from the vast majority of Chinese, and in particular from the big military leaders and their subordinates.

The Real China.

Mr. Gull proceeded to draw an interesting contrast between Mr. Chen and General Chang Tsung Chang, the ruler of Shantung. A man not unlike the late Earl Kitchener in stature and bearing, "Chang Tsung Chang makes Eugene Chen look a Westernized dilettante, likely to be blown into the next room by Chang's guffaw. Nobody fears Chen as an individual, only in so far as he represents an organization. But even if the northern were only captain of a troop or were an outlaw, most Chinese would fear him for his cruelty. If Chang does not get what he wants some scapegoat pays with his life.

"The real China—the China of the centuries—is, nevertheless, much more represented by Chang Tsung Chang than by Eugene Chen. They are extreme types. There are a great many Chinese who regard a man like Chang Tsung Chang with detestation, springing from fear and contempt, prompted by an innate respect for culture."

Mr. Gull referred to one of the great Chinese classics, "The Three Kingdoms," which is read and re-read, and is a story crammed with intrigue, cruelties, and records of bloodthirstiness. It gives a remarkable idea of the Chinese mind, and in it—incredible as it may seem, since it is story of the third century—one has set before one what has been happening in China for the last 10 years.

(Continued on next column).

"WHAT IS THEOSOPHY?"

ADDRESS TO THE LOCAL
SOCIETY.CHIEF TENETS OF THEIR
CREED.

At this week's meeting of the

Hong Kong Theosophical Society on Thursday, Mr. H. E. Lanepart gave an address on "What is Theosophy?" He said in brief: Theosophy is the Divine Wisdom and its direct individual knowledge in man is the result of the awakening in term of divine powers of universal perception which is outside of time all men will have to unfold and use in the service of man and God. Theosophy is definite science, capable of being studied, and its teachings are very finable by investigation and experiment.

The broad outlines of the great truths have been widely known to the world for thousands of years, and are to-day largely penetrating and influencing the nobler minds of the West, which, in its sufficiency, has for long remained ignorant of them, and long scornful at any fragment of them which may have come its way. There are three great truths which are absolute and cannot be lost. They are—I, God exists, and He is good. He is the great life-giver who dwells within us and without us, undying and eternally beneficent, and is perceived by the man who desires perception. II, Man is immortal, and his future is one where glory and splendour have no limit. III, A Divine Law of absolute justice rules the world, so that each man is in truth his own judge. Each of these great truths are attached certain others, subsidiary and explanatory. As for example, that, since the whole scheme tends to man's benefit, clearly it is his duty to learn to understand it and co-operate. That the true man is a soul, and this body is only an appendage. That what we commonly call his life is only one day in his true and larger life. That death is a matter of far less importance than is usually supposed, since it is by no means the end of life, but merely the passage from one stage of it to another. That man has an immense evolution behind him, the study of which is most fascinating, interesting and instructive. That he has also a splendid evolution before him, the study of which will be even more fascinating and instructive.

Every thought, word, or action produces its definite results—not a reward or punishment imposed from without, but a result inherent in the action itself, dimly connected with it in the relation of cause and effect. It is therefore the duty and interest of man to study this divine law closely, so that he will be able to adapt himself to it and to use it, as we use other great laws of nature.

When this knowledge is fully assimilated, it changes the aspect of life completely; we come to know how we should live and why and when properly understood, we learn how to develop ourselves, and to make ourselves more useful to those around us, and ultimately to the whole human race.

MONGOLIAN DELEGATE IN
EUROPE.

PEKING, March 22nd.

According to the *Huiping Pao*, the Waichiao-pu has received a telegram from Mr. Chen Wei Gen, Chinese Chargé in London, saying that a Mongolian delegate is touring Europe in the interest of Mongolian independence. He has given interview to the papers of various countries asserting the right of Mongolia to be independent from the Chinese Republic. Copies of the interviews are said to have been sent by the Chargé to the Waichiao-pu.—*Kuo Wen*.

Chen v. Chang.

Which of these two types—Chen or Chen—was going to have the greatest say in the future? "What I say Chen, I am taking a very long view and not speaking of the present at all," Mr. Gull observed. "But I believe it is the more subtle, progressive mind that will control the China of the future. Last October, when I had a three hours' talk with Chen, I was again impressed with his great subtlety of intellect and of emotion. He has boundless confidence, considerable pluck, and is a very able fellow. Old China will not disappear before the exotic qualities of the modern Chinese student. On the other hand, many of its characteristics will be modified or disappear. Always assuming that the Cantonese will get rid of the Bolshevik element—and they have not managed to do so yet—I think that the spirit of their movement will ultimately triumph in China. It does not appear to me to be a sufficiently well realized that while as a nation of farmers, land owners, and tenants, the Chinese are not hopeful soil for Bolshevism there are vast numbers of Chinese who live on the edge of things. The godlike classes are constantly re-credited by the enormous suffering caused by cataclysms when hundreds of square miles are devastated at a time by flood and famine."

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Bank Bills, at 9 months' sight	1/8
Bank Bills, at 12 months' sight	1/7
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Credit, at 30 days' sight	50 1/2
ON HONGKONG—	
Telegraphic Transfer	134
Bank Bills, on demand	134
ON CALCUTTA—	
Telegraphic Transfer	134
Bank Bills, on demand	134
ON SHANGHAI—	
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Bank Bills, at 60 days' sight	nom.
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Bank Bills, on demand	93 1/2
ON MANILA—	
Bank Bills, on demand	93 1/2
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Lisbon	7 1/2
Bucharest	2 1/2
Buenos Aires	2 1/2
Shanghai	2 1/2
Yokohama	2 1/2
New York	48 1/2
Geneva	25 1/2
Milan	10 1/2
Stockholm	18 1/2
Oslo	18 1/2
Prague	16 1/2
Madrid	27 1/2
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EMPIRE CRICKET.

M.C.C. TEAM LEAVES
INDIA.

GILLIGAN'S APPRECIATION
OF HOSPITALITY.

The M.C.C. team left Bombay for
India on the *Ranpura* on March
13th.

Bidding farewell to India after
a strenuous tour of nearly six
months, Mr. A. E. R. Gilligan, on
behalf of the M.C.C. team, expressed
the deep gratefulness of the
members of the team for the great
reception which the country had ac-
corded them.

They had had a very fine time,
he added, and they were thankful
to their friends in India and
Ceylon, to H.E. the Viceroy and
to the respective Governors of the
Provinces for the kind way in
which they had treated the tourists.

Unbeaten Record.

Speaking of the tour Mr. Gilli-
gan said:—"Our tour has been a
great success and we are returning
home with our unbeaten record
which is a great distinction and an
achievement in so long a tour as
we have had. We hope the lessons
of our tour will prove of the very
greatest value to cricket in India."

"I wish and I hope
fielding as a whole will improve.
It has been thoroughly disappoint-
ing. I really thought that Indian
teams would have fielded better
than they did. We have met some
very good bowling and batting but
bad fielding."

Asked if they were likely to pay
another visit in the near future,
Mr. Gilligan said it rested with the
M.C.C. to decide, but he expected
that in another five or six years
they might come to India again.
He expressed his strong desire that
a central cricket board should be
formed in India shortly. That was
the wish of everyone connected with
cricket in England.

"BOWLED OVER."

GILLIGAN'S MEN FALL VIC-
TIMS TO FAIR DELHI
CRICKETERS.

DELHI, March 8th.
English cricket suffered a sad
reverse here when what the might
of All India has failed to do in
five months Delhi women accom-
plished with consummate ease in a
few hours.

With true English chivalry Gilli-
gan emphatically refused to go
through the sordid ceremony of
tossing for innings and conceded
his fair opponents the advantage
of first knock on a good wicket.

The result of the match was ob-
vious from the start. Tate's test
"fixers" were totally inadequate
to the situation, and the remain-
ing bowlers were reduced to impot-
ence by the blunders of the im-
pulsed batsmen. The fielding was
tragic, even the simplest "sit-
ters" being dropped. The result
was that the women, whose
"glances" were simply poetic, ran
up the magnificent total of 124.
The chief contributor was a Lanca-
shire lass, Miss P. T. Ekersley,
whose toilette, consisting of a skirt
and jumper on the latest Parisian
lines, was the admiration of the
tourists.

Then the M.C.C. went in. Dis-
aster at once overtook them, and
when the phlegmatic Sandham
finally fell a victim to woman's
guile it was at once evident that all
was lost. It was a sorry exhibi-
tion, but in the circumstances the
total of 69 was quite creditable,
particularly when it is revealed
that Sandham's score of 14 was the
highest. Thus were the tourists
"humbled," although it must be
added that even Gilligan took the
matter little to heart.—*Advertiser*.

AUSTRALIAN CRICKETERS TO
VISIT MALAYA?

MEMBERS OF TEST XI.
AMONG THEM.

The possibility of a visit by an
Australian cricket eleven, includ-
ing several of the players who re-
presented Australia in the last
series of Tests in England, has
been under discussion in Malayan
cricket circles for some time, and
an Ipoh correspondent telegraphs
that the arrangements for the visit
are now definitely settled, says the
Singapore Free Press. He states
that the side will include Macart-
ney, Oldfield, and other Test play-
ers and probably Kippax. They
are expected to arrive about June
although the details are not an-
nounced officially. It is believed
that there will be about eight
matches in Malaya, for which
"gates" will be provided to cover
the expenses of the visitors.

A later message states: Although
a definite announcement of the de-
tails is still pending, the proposed
visit of a team of Australian
cricketers from Sydney is the topic
amongst Australians all over the
States.

It is understood that the team
arrives about June and will play
eight matches, in Singapore,
Penang and the Malay States.

They will be the guests of local
countrymen, but a fund will be
guaranteed for their passages,
which it is hoped will be obtained
from gates.

Amongst the players making the
trip are Macartney, Oldfield and
Taylor.

BRITAIN'S BEST BOXERS.

BALDOCK, MILLIGAN, AND
HILL.

POTENTIAL WORLD'S
CHAMPIONS.

[BY TREVOR C. WIGNALL.]

Having lost the habit of patting
themselves on the back, British
followers of boxing are apparently
not yet fully conscious of the fact
that there are three young fighters
in the country who are well on the
way to the winning of world's
championships. Two are Scots—
Tommy Milligan and Johnny Hill
—and the other the copper-headed,
blue-eyed, and cherub-faced youth
from Poplar, Teddy Baldock.

Of the three I think that Baldock
is the most remarkable. Son and
grandson of ex-fighters, he already
has a record that stamps him as one
of the outstanding pugilists of his
time.

He will not be 21 until next year,
and yet he has scored more than
150 victories, and has probably had
in all over 300 contests. On his
form at the Albert Hall, when he
knocked-out Young Johnny Brown
in three rounds, I consider him to
be the best bantam-weight in the
world.

Baldock's Pre-eminence.

Baldock stands absolutely alone
in Europe, because he is such a
perfect blend of the fighter and
boxer.

That, too, is true of Hill. The
Scot, who is the living embodi-
ment of Tom Sayers both in method
and poise, is the nearest approach
to perpetual motion in human
form I have ever watched. His
method is to keep moving, whether
he is being attacked or whether he
is himself on the aggressive. He
wears down an opponent by his
unwearying ability to continue
fighting, and then, of course, he
always has at his instant command
a stock of punches that are as stiff
and damaging as those wielded
by his great predecessor, Jimmy
Wilkie.

Hill's next test will be against
Ernie Jarvis, and if he comes
through this with success it will be
high time for La Barba and Elky
Clark and "Newsboy" Brown (who
is said by Americans to be even
better than La Barba) to set their
houses in order.

On his recent form it is easy to
visualise Hill—if he is fortunate
enough to escape accident and a
breakdown in health—as a coming
world's champion.

Milligan at the moment is good
enough to beat any man of any
poundage in Great Britain, if not
in Europe, and I will be surprised
if he does not account for Walker.

The Passing Of Delaney.

The outpointing of Jack Delaney,
the light-heavy-weight champion, by
Jim Maloney was not expected, and
if fact it has done much to upset
the plans of Tex Rickard, who had
hoped to send either Dempsey or
Delaney against Gene Tunney.

Maloney, however, now leaps into
the picture with certainty, for he
has not only eliminated Delaney,
but also wrecked the aspirations of
other "hopes" like Harry Persson
(Swedish), Franz Deiner (Ger-
man), and Arthur de Kuh (Italy).

Maloney is not a skilled boxer or
a polished fighter. He is simply a
slam-bang slogger of the Dempsey
type. He was originally a truck-
driver in Boston, and it is odd
to remember that about a year ago
he was so discontented with his pro-
gress as a pugilist that he went
back to his old occupation.

Now he is at the head of the
list of those most likely to be select-
ed as an opponent for Tunney.
His chief rival and townsman,
Jack Sharkey, who has beaten him
twice, will have to be dealt with
first, but it does look now as though
the ex-truck driver will be the one
to walk out to Tunney when the
champion defends his title next
September.

BEAR HUNTING IN CANADA.

FARMERS SEEK HELP FROM
THE GOVERNMENT.

Bear hunting should develop into
a popular and remunerative all-
the-year round sport in the coun-
ties of Beauve, Wolfe, Frontenac
and Compton if the requests made
to the Provincial Government by
sheep breeders of these four dis-
tricts of Canada that there be no
closed season for bear hunting, and
that a bounty of £3 per bear be
paid by the Government are grant-
ed. It appears likely that they will
be.

The request to have Government
help in the war on bears in the
four counties comes as a conse-
quence of the heavy losses that
farmers have suffered for some time
past through raids on their sheep.

It is estimated that during the
past three years breeders in Com-
pton, Frontenac and Wolfe counties
have lost some 1,600 sheep, repre-
senting a value of £23,000. The
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ly was that of a farmer at St.
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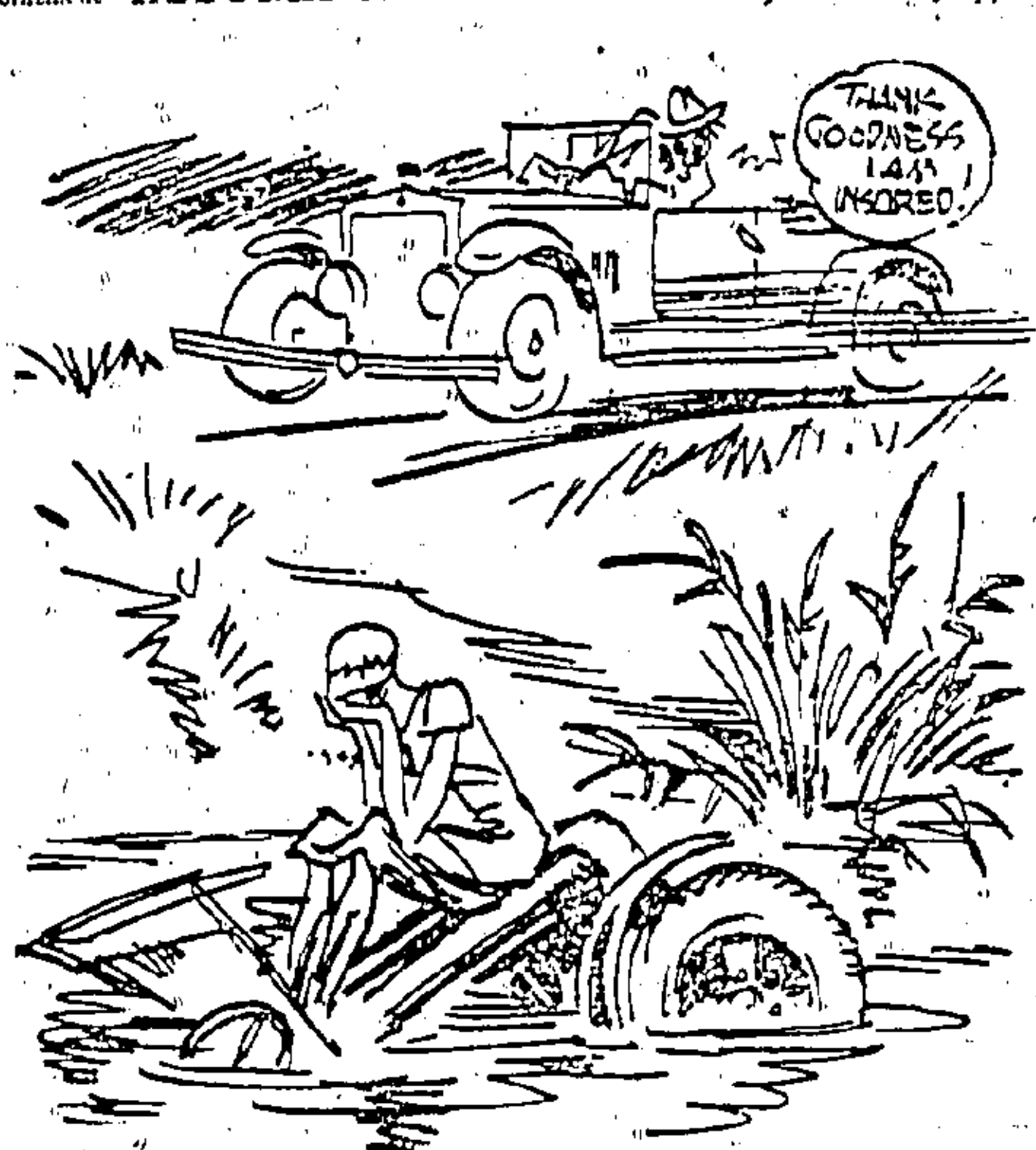
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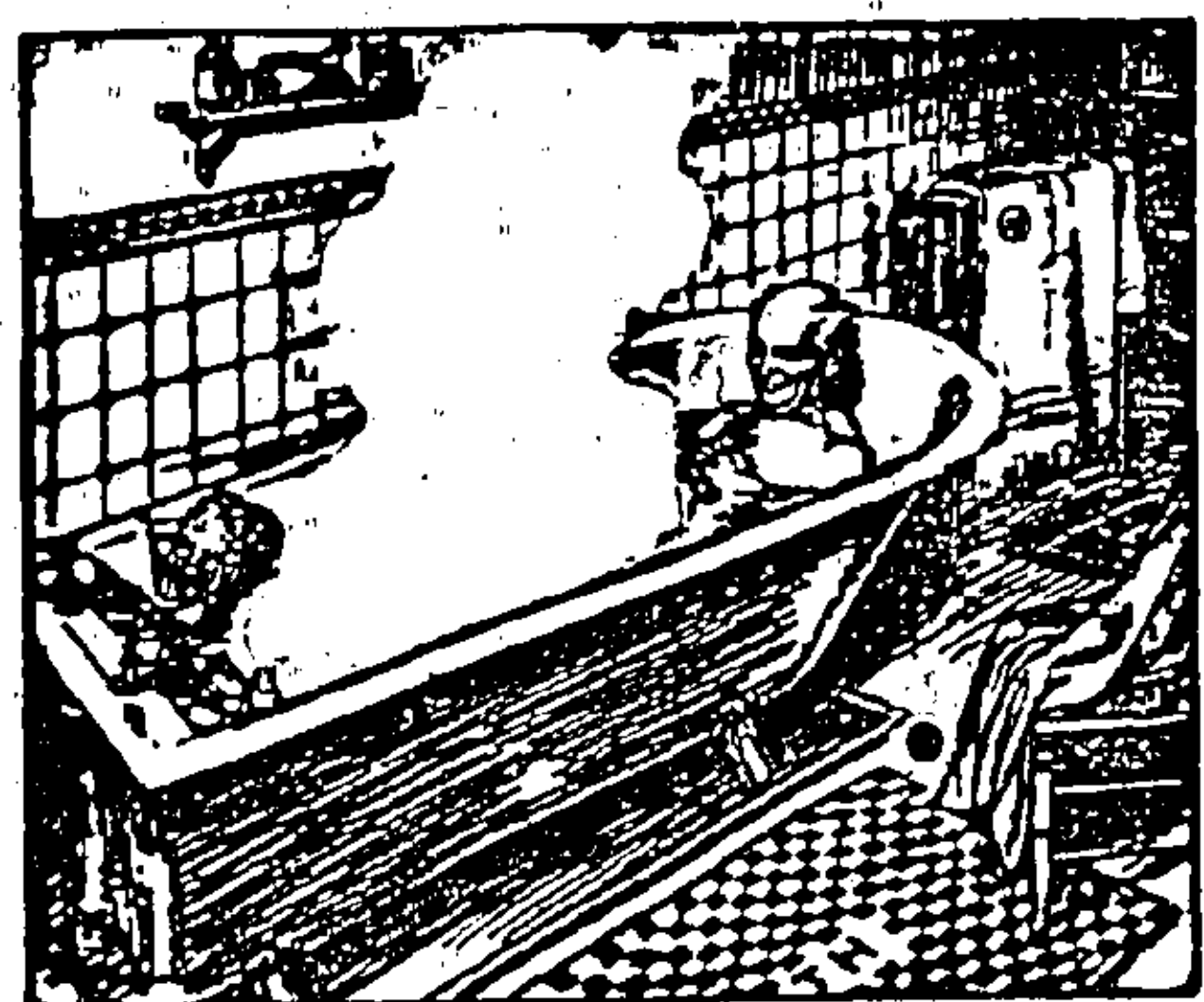


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THE RETIRING PRESIDENT'S REVIEW OF THE PAST YEAR.

MORE MEMBERS PLEASE! CHINESE AND EUROPEAN.

TRIBUTES TO MR. D. G. M. BERNARD'S SERVICES.

A comprehensive review of the past year's activities of the Hong Kong Automobile Association, was given at yesterday's annual general meeting held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. It was stated that 108 new members had joined, but it was hoped that more recruits would be obtained during the ensuing year. Motorists from the Chinese Community would be assured of a very cordial welcome.

The Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard (retiring President of the Association) was in the chair, and he was supported by Mr. Ho Leung (Vice-President), Professor C. A. Middleton Smith, Mr. G. H. Wilson, Mr. W. J. E. Mackenzie, Mr. C. P. Marcel and Mr. A. Stevenson (members of the Committee) and the Rev. G. E. S. Upsdell (Hon. Secretary) and many members.

THE CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH.

The President, addressing the meeting said:—

"During the past year H.E. the Governor honoured the Association by very kindly consenting to become a patron. This has been a great encouragement to us and an indication that he considers that the Association fills an important function in the Colony in caring for the interests of motorists and other users of the roads as well.

The resignation last Spring of Mr. Hodgson, who had been our Honorary Secretary for five years, was received by the Committee with very much regret as he had taken the deepest interest in the work of the Association. We were fortunate to obtain the services of Rev. Mr. G. E. S. Upsdell. He has not spared himself in work for the Association and so long as we can get people like Mr. Hodgson and Mr. Upsdell as Honorary Secretary we can rest assured that the good work of the Association on behalf of motorists will continue. (Applause.)

Hong Kong A.A. patrols have been stationed at the Star Ferry, Kowloon and at the City Hall to look after members' cars. Until this was done complaints were being received of petty thefts. This has now ceased and I conclude therefore that the patrols are justifying their existence and are useful to Members.

A drivers registration bureau has been established and members who require drivers are urged to apply to Mr. Upsdell. Great care is taken to enquire into each driver's record and members can be certain of being supplied with good drivers at reasonable wages, and only such as have satisfactory records.

By arrangement with the Police, the stand on the upper part of Pedder Street has been reserved for private cars only. People who intend to park their cars for the whole day are requested to leave them at the City Hall so as to avoid congestion at Pedder Street as much as possible.

The subscription to the *Asiatic Motor* (published in Shanghai) which has been supplied to members has expired and arrangements have been made with the publishers of the *Motor* by which members may obtain the paper at the low cost of \$8.50 a year compared to the usual subscription rate of £14.6d. It is hoped that advantage will be taken of this opportunity to get this excellent paper cheaply; applications should be sent to the Hon. Secretary.

Complaints and Suggestions Asked For.

Many complaints have been received in the past year on various matters and these have been promptly attended to. It is hoped that members will forward to the Hon. Secretary complaints as to conditions of the roads, and suggestions regarding any matters that come within the province of this Association will be welcome.

Our relations with the Police and P.W.D. are most cordial, and I wish to express to them our thanks for the courtesy and sympathetic consideration that is always given to any matters we put before them.

In January last we arranged a dinner dance at the Hong Kong Hotel for members and their friends. About 140 people were present and it proved a most successful and enjoyable function. It is proposed to organize another entertainment towards the close of the present year.

Last year we made arrangements to enable members to get expert advice about their cars for a nominal consideration, and also advice from our legal advisers for a similar sum. The use that has been

made of these facilities has been disappointing and your Committee have decided to discontinue the arrangements as from the end of this year. But it is hoped that something along the same lines can be done which will not prove such a drain on our finances.

During the year 108 new members joined the Association, which is satisfactory, but there are very many owners who have not yet done so and in view of the work done for motorists as a whole in addition to the facilities reserved for members only, it is hoped that many more will join. The Committee will always gladly welcome suggestions from members for making the Association of greater use to them.

Our finances are in a sound condition.

Electricity & Petrol.

In the *Daily Press* last week "Owner Driver" referred to the growing competition between Electricity and Petrol and went so far as to say that "It seems fairly certain that the Electric tram car can no longer compete with the motor bus." This is an interesting problem, but I do not regard the statement as correct and in any case each is supreme in its respective sphere; that is, the tram car where traffic is dense and the cost of laying a tram line is warranted, and the motor bus where the number of passengers to be transported is comparatively small and an infrequent service all that is required to meet the needs of the population. Between these two we have the Railways Trams and Petrol Electric Buses—both of which have their merits. Edinburgh has an up-to-date service of both trams and buses and it is interesting to note the following comparisons:—

	Trams	Buses
Speed per hour	8.5 miles	8.25 miles
Miles per vehicle per day	120	110
Working expenses per mile run	12.43d.	13.98d.
Fare per mile	.074d.	.090d.
Seating Capacity	61	32

A comparison of earnings also favours the tram but I have not mentioned them as it would require an adequate statement of the districts served to enable any conclusion of value to be drawn.

So far as other uses of the roads are concerned, one does know that a tram is going to stick to its lines and not wander about the road. If the road is wide enough passing does not present any difficulty. But on the other hand buses draw in to the side of the road to load and unload passengers and this is a great advantage in narrower streets.

There are no other matters that occur to me calling for special mention so I now beg to propose the adoption of the report and statement of accounts. When this has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer to the best of my ability any questions which members may wish to ask.

Mr. L. F. Bellamy seconded, and there being no questions, the report and accounts were adopted.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected as under:—President, Commander G. B. Hartford, R.N. (re-elected); Vice-President, Mr. Ho Leung (re-elected); Treasurers, Messrs. Lindstead and Davis.

After a ballot the following Committee were elected:—Messrs. C. D. Lambert, F. Mendo, C. P. Marcel, G. H. Wilson, W. J. E. Mackenzie and A. Stevenson (re-elected) and Messrs. P. M. Hodgson and L. C. F. Bellamy (new members).

A presentation made to Mr. Hodgson is reported separately.

Thanks to President.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Professor C. A. Middleton-Smith proposed a vote of thanks to the retiring President (the Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard). He said the general committee owed much to the interest shown by Mr. Bernard.

It had been very interesting to him as a technical man to hear the President's remarks on buses and trams. He had noticed throughout his technical career that it was generally the case that progress was made through controversy. There was nothing like controversy to stimulate interest. He did not think there were more controversial people in the world than technical men.

Continuing, the speaker said, the great hope of technical people was to get the power of being able to store electricity in their car as they did petrol, and run their cars by this means.

The speaker also returned thanks to their Vice-President (Mr. Ho Leung) for the good work he had done for the Association in connection with the Chinese Community. They would like a greater number of Chinese members of the Association as well as Europeans. At the University he had noticed there was a marked increase in the interest in motoring matters.

In conclusion Professor Middleton-Smith suggested that gentlemen like Mr. Lambert might be prevailed upon to deliver lectures to the Association. Such lectures had been a great success in the past.

The vote of thanks to the retiring President was seconded by Mr. G. H. Wilson, and was carried with acclamation.

The Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard briefly replied and said that it had been a pleasure for him to work with the Committee, and he hoped he had been able to do something to help the Association. He would still retain his deep interest in it. This concluded the business of the meeting.

AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION'S SECRETARY HONoured.

PRESENTATION TO MR. P. M. HODGSON.

As mentioned in the report of the annual meeting of the Hong Kong Automobile Association, a presentation was made during yesterday's proceedings to the late Secretary of the Association.

For five years Mr. P. M. Hodgson had carried out the duties of Hon. Secretary of the Association, only relinquishing the post when he found that he had not sufficient time to carry out the duties in the way he thought they should be performed. He was then succeeded by the present Hon. Secretary, the Rev. G. E. S. Upsdell.

In recognition of his untiring services to the Association, the general committee decided to make him a presentation, and this was handed to him last evening during the meeting by the retiring President of the Association (the Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard).

The gift, or rather the two gifts, consisted of a silver cigarette box and a silver tray. Both bore the crest of the Hong Kong Automobile Association, and were suitably inscribed as under:—

Presented to P. M. Hodgson, Esq., by the Hong Kong Automobile Association. Honorary Secretary, 1921-1926.

In making the presentation, the Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard said: "I have already referred to the very valuable services rendered to the Association by Mr. Hodgson for a period of five years as Hon. Secretary, and I do not wish to say anything further at present in this connection. To mark the Association's appreciation in a more permanent form than mere words can convey, the Committee decided to present him with a small souvenir, and it is now my pleasant duty to present this to Mr. Hodgson."

Mr. Bernard then made the presentation of the gifts, amid much applause.

The Reply.

Later, Mr. Hodgson expressed his deep appreciation and thanks to the Committee. When he resigned the Hon. Secretaryship of the Association he did so with deep regret. He wanted to see the activities of the Association carried on properly, and he wanted someone to take the job who would have a little more time than he had to devote to the interests of the Association. He thought the Association had proved extremely fortunate in securing the Rev. Upsdell as their Hon. Secretary, for if they wanted proof of his work and ability they had only to call to mind the growing interest that had taken place in the Association since Mr. Upsdell took over.

Mr. Hodgson went on to say that the election of Commander Hartford as President was a very happy choice. Had it not been for the fact that he knew Mr. Bernard did not wish to continue as their President he would certainly have proposed his re-election. They could not have had a better President than Mr. Bernard (applause). But he thought his successor was a very happy choice. Mr. Hodgson again returned thanks to the General Committee for their gifts.

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CINEMA NEWS.

HAROLD LLOYD IN "FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE."

A DELIGHTFUL FILM AT THE QUEEN'S.

[BY OUR FILM CRITIC.]

A review of the past month will show how continually the patrons of the local cinemas are being given treats. We had only a short time ago the privilege of hearing Jash Heifetz, and before him S. Bonavita and S. Grovini's orchestra. Song slides which proved so popular with the troops and lovely Prizma colour pictures have only been curtain raisers for a number of really remarkable films; and now we are to enjoy during the next fortnight, 14 of the best films from the Paramount Studio in each of the three theatres, of which not the least delightful is that showing until Wednesday at the Queen's.

"For Heaven's Sake" is one of Harold Lloyd's later and best pictures, some critics say the best, and it would be hard to imagine a better comedy. It has the distinction of being the only film for which the Plaza, London, broke its rule not to show any one picture for more than a week; they ran it for five!

It is such a trite old story; the millionaire and the girl who helps to run a slum mission, but in Lloyd's hands it becomes delightful comedy. All his old features are there, his timid manner, his goggles and his beaming smile. There are wonderful gymnastic feats, hair breadth escapes, rollicking comedy and delicious incongruities. But for those of you who remember "Safety First" it will be a revelation of how old stunts can be better and refined; of how a burlesque can be transmuted into art. The mad ride on an omnibus driven by a drunken "tough" through the teeming streets of New York, is never tedious, never incredible and glorious fun from beginning to end. But that might be said of the whole film, there isn't a dull moment from the first glimpse of Harold standing by his expensive car which "he bought to match his white pants" to the finale when he put the wedding ring on a dog's tail. The clergyman faints but his bride is as content as the audience.

ANOTHER HEAVY OPIUM FINE.

WOMAN DRUG DEALER TO PAY \$10,000.

Another heavy fine was imposed on an opium dealer yesterday by Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy.

The defendant was a Chinese woman, who was arrested for having in her possession 292 taels of non-Government opium. She was searched in the street when 10 taels of opium was found on her and in a box at her house at Sharp Street another haul of 282 taels was made by Revenue searchers.

The woman said that the opium was left in the house by someone else. She claimed that she had just arrived from the country.

Chief Preventive Officer Clarke told the Bench that the woman was a dealer in the drug and that the key to the box was found on the defendant's person.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$10,000, or in default one year's hard labour.

IMPRESSIVE MILITARY FUNERAL.

DROWNED SOLDIER BURIED AT HAPPY VALLEY.

There was an impressive scene at Happy Valley yesterday, when Pte. C. E. Scarlett, who was drowned in the Shungshui stream last Friday, was buried with full military honours. The body, which had been carried out to sea, was recovered on Thursday.

The tragedy is rendered more pathetic by the fact that the dead young man's brother, also a member of the Signal Corps, is here, and was present at the funeral. When his brother's remains were lowered into the grave, he broke down and was led away by a comrade.

The band and drums of the 1st Battr. Middlesex Regiment, in command of Bandsman Clark, a firing party commanded by Regimental Sergt.-Major Beaman, and a detachment of soldiers left the Peninsula Hotel early in the afternoon and crossed to the R.A.S.C. wharf, near Wellington Barracks. Here they were joined by a party of Signal Corps men, who were to bear the coffin in the cemetery, Captain C. A. Bridgeland commanded the cortege, in which a number of beautiful wreaths were carried.

It was found impossible to obtain mules to draw the gun-carriage bearing the coffin, which was draped in the Union Jack and the task was therefore performed by 16 men of the Regiment.

The cortege approached the cemetery to the funeral march "Requies," which was accompanied by a tattoo from muffled drums. The firing party carried their arms reversed.

The service was conducted by the Rev. N. G. Rialton, C.F.

A party of eight men of the Signal Corps bore the coffin up the long walk towards the grave, which was in a corner sheltered by a clump of pine trees. Nearby was a stone inscribed "Frederick Champion, Lance-Corporal, East Surrey Regt." In this little corner rest the bones of many British soldiers, and though vastly different from our English village graveyards it has been made, one of the most beautiful places on earth.

After the chaplain had read the burial service and the coffin had been lowered, the firing party discharged a volley which died away in long echoes among the surrounding hills. Then came two more volleys, between which the band played verses of a hymn.

The wreaths, which included one from the Signal Corps and one from the Middlesex Regt., were afterwards placed around the grave.

CHARGES AGAINST WINE DISTILLER.

The hearing of the case in which several charges are made against the proprietor of the Tung Mei Yuen, wine distillery, including the illegal re-use of old revenue labels and failure to keep the proper books required by the regulations, was continued yesterday afternoon at the Kowloon Magistracy before Mr. W. Schofield, Mr. Lo defended.

The afternoon hearing was devoted to the evidence of Mr. J. D. Lloyd as to what he saw at the distillery on the occasion of the visit.

The case was again adjourned.

ALL QUIET IN CANTON.

SATISFACTORY NEWS FROM SWATOW.

TALK OF DEMONSTRATIONS.

FOREIGNERS ADVISED TO LEAVE.

The news from Canton is to the effect that everything is quiet in the City. There is still much talk of demonstrations and, in order to avoid being concerned in any trouble, most foreigners have been advised to go to Shamen or Canton. This advice is being generally followed and the *Patshan* yesterday brought in between twenty and thirty of the staff of the Canton Christian College. A mass meeting is being organized for Sunday when demands for the withdrawal of foreign troops from China will be made.

There has been no development of the trouble on the *Kinshan*. As reported yesterday the Chinese crew walked out at a moment's notice but all the other boats on the Canton-Hong Kong run are working as usual.

The *Lungshan* yesterday had a particularly heavy cargo. When leaving Canton she went aground through some accident but it was a trifling matter and she was floated again within a quarter of an hour and kept her schedule. The *Patshan* was expected to leave as usual in the early hours of this morning.

The Canton Commissioner of Police has definitely declared that he will prevent as far as possible, any demonstrations which are likely to bring the mob into conflict with the foreigner.

Swatow.

From Swatow comes the news that business is moving freely. The official sent from Canton to maintain order in the Swatow district has admittedly done excellent work. In Swatow City itself, and in all the neighboring towns, the extremists are at the moment in a very secondary position. The "moderates" as represented by the official element are in control.

Kongmoon.

It is understood that foreigners residing in the Kongmoon area have been advised to leave.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

Among the resolutions being prepared for the mass meeting of "anti-imperialists" to be held in Canton on April 3rd is one demanding the immediate withdrawal of foreign troops from China.

Mr. Wei Yuk, head of the Canton Information Bureau and officer in charge of the Foreign Office in Canton, visited Shamen the other day to assure the Consulates that there is no reason for anxiety in the City.

General Chiang Kai Shek, according to reports in Canton, has assured Mr. Sun Fo, son of the late Dr. Sun Yat Sen, that the comrades in Shanghai have no objection to Mr. Sun's visit to Shanghai.

Cadets in the Whampoa Military Academy have just issued a manifesto supporting General Chiang, saying that all "counter-revolutionists" found among them will be expelled as soon as they are detected.

The power of a labour union to seize property of non-union men is now receiving a check. The rice transportation coolies who commandeered several junks full of rice near Siuam, as an act of retaliation against the owners who had employed non-union labour, have been forced by the Canton Police to return the goods seized.

The General Chamber of Commerce in Canton issued a public statement the other day declining to subsidize political demonstrations. (Continued on next column).

K.O.S.B. COMPANY FOR CANTON.

SECTION OF 1ST PACK BATTERY R.A.

A company of the King's Own Scottish Borderers and a section of the 1st (Hong Kong and Singapore) Pack Battery R.A. are leaving for Shamen this morning.

They go simply as a precautionary measure and to give confidence to the foreign residents that they will not be molested by unruly mobs.

As stated, Canton City is quiet and Foreign Office officials have announced that there is no cause for anxiety. But a mass meeting is being organized for Sunday at which extravagant demands will, of course, be made and there is little doubt that paid agitators would like to work up something in the nature of a hostile demonstration.

THE SPLIT IN THE KUOMINTANG.

GENERAL CHIANG KAI SHEK'S DENIAL.

INTERVIEW WITH "NORTH CHINA DAILY NEWS."

According to the *Canton Gazette* General Chiang Kai Shek, in an interview with a representative of the *North China Daily News* on Tuesday denied any split in the Kuomintang Party and remarked that there were no signs or prospects of any serious dissension.

He said that the shelling of Nanking by foreign gunboats had caused serious misunderstanding among Chinese who were particularly unhappy to see American gunboats participating in such action.

He believed this might cast doubt on America's attitude towards the Revolutionary Movement.

With regard to the actual Nanking incidents, he continued:

"I wish to point out that, on arrival, the Nationalist forces at Nanking on March 22nd found a state of confusion with some Northern forces at large as well as numerous bad characters. I also wish to point out that the enemies of the Nationalist Movement wished to upset our progress. Northern and were seeking by every means to alienate the sympathy and goodwill of Foreign Powers towards China. I hope all foreign citizens in China will bear this important fact in mind."

WAITING FOR THE FOG TO LIFT.

THREE MAIL BOATS HELD UP AT LYCEUM.

A thick fog outside Lyceum was reported yesterday and several steamers were held up.

The s.s. *Macedonia* (P. & O.) which was due yesterday at noon with passengers from Japan and Shanghai was one of the vessels delayed. From enquiries made at the P. & O. offices, it was learned that the *Macedonia* will probably come in this morning.

Two B.L. Line steamers were also held up. They were the *Takado*, due yesterday from Amoy, and the *Tilawa*, from the Straits.

tions arranged without their previous consent. It has been the practice of the "Reds" to associate the name of the General Chamber in all demonstrations, thus causing no little embarrassment to the officials of the organization who, in most cases, are conservatives still at heart. Sometimes the General Chamber had to contribute towards the expenses. The General Chamber of Commerce has been asked to head the organizations which are to hold anti-imperialist parades on April 3rd.

Employees of the Kwangtung Section of the Canton-Hankow Railway, who have to deposit security before being given positions, where funds are concerned are now asking the Kuomintang to abolish this rule. Those who have given security are asking for the return of their documents and cash.

TROOP MOVEMENTS.

FANLING GOLF COURSE BEING CLEARED.

KWANTI SITE MADE READY FOR THE RACE MEETING.

One platoon of the 5/2nd Punjab Regiment is leaving for Sha-to-kok to relieve the Camerons who have been on duty there. A second platoon of the Punjab will go to Lowu.

The rear party of the Middlesex Regiment have now left Fanling and the work of dismantling the camp on the golf course will commence to-morrow.

The dismantling of the camp at Kwanti Race Course will commence on Monday and the whole of the site will be cleared by the evening of Friday, the 5th inst., to allow of the race meeting being held on the 9th inst.

MORE TROOPS FOR SHANGHAI?

NO ORDERS AT PRESENT.

Reference is made in another report to the movements of the local garrison, but with regard to the Camerons and the Middlesex Regiment, forming part of the Shanghai Defence Force, no news is yet to hand regarding their future movements. The suggestions that they will eventually go to Shanghai is as yet unconfirmed. At present, they are billeted in the Peninsula Hotel, Kowloon.

The s.s. *Hermionius* arrived in port yesterday morning from Shanghai with Indian mules and transport vehicles unsuitable for Shanghai, and unnecessary now that the R.A.S.C. have arrived there with lorries.

MAKING THE MEN "AT HOME."

Writing in the current issue of the *Red Triangle*, the Secretary of the European Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, states:

"When the news came through that Hong Kong was to receive hundreds of troops, many of us immediately wondered what were they to do here. Visions of the men wandering about the streets with nothing to do and thinking the Colony was a poor sort of place came also to our minds."

After detailing the measures that were taken in response to the need, and the indication of appreciation that those responsible have received from the members of the Services in the Colony, the Secretary concludes:

"Practically all this effort will be undertaken by voluntary workers. A great opportunity is presented for the expression of genuine altruism, and we are grateful for the help already given. Such work as this was undertaken with enthusiasm in war time, but it must be remembered that the present need is very great even if the special urge of wartime is absent. These men are away from home, and we must do our utmost to make them feel that this is a British Colony and we are anxious that their stay should be as happy as possible."

ENTERTAINMENT SUB-COMMITTEE.

The following letter has been circulated in the Colony:

Dear Sir,—You will have seen from the Press of the 28th inst. an outline of the work which a special Committee of the Y.M.C.A. propose to carry out in connection with the entertainment of Service men. It is necessary for me to remind you that we have, and shall have for a considerable time, thousands of men here who in completely strange surroundings must be kept entertained and amused during their leisure hours. With this idea the Y.M.C.A. have formed a representative Committee drawn from the Services and Hong Kong residents.

There are several Depots of the Y.M.C.A. to cater for and the general outline of the scheme is that small concerts once or twice a week at each should be arranged, probably a concert on a larger scale once a month at one of the bigger depots or possibly at the City Hall. Every effort will be made to reduce the work of those who assist, and it may be possible to arrange, particularly in connection with Kowloon, concerts for artists to sing at different times during the same evening, and so minimize the number of occasions our helpers will have to attend.

(Continued on next column).

H.M.S. "PINAFORE."

PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY'S PRODUCTION.

GOES WELL ON FIRST NIGHT.

There is an astonishing amount of amateur talent in the Colony and that there can be not only an Amateur Dramatic Company, but also a Philharmonic Society of sufficient strength to produce Gilbert and Sullivan, is a matter for considerable congratulation.

Gilbert and Sullivan, the only form of opera which Britain has produced, or that Britons as a whole care for, is always the goal of amateurs. There are few Englishmen who can face singing highly romantic and emotional songs before an audience whose members they will meet next morning on the links. That is the appeal of what has become our National Opera—it at least ensures that no man who takes part need feel secretly ashamed of having "made an ass of himself."

Captain Cororan and Sir Joseph Porter may not be true pictures of Englishmen but at least they are not heroes of romance.

And so all over the world English Philharmonic Societies walk into the trap. "The music is not hard. Anyone can sing patter songs, and at all events you have the chorus to back you up." But the trouble is that the music is hard, perhaps in "Pinafore" hardest of all. It is one thing to stand beside the piano and sing "I'm the captain of the Pinafore," but a very different thing to make both your voice and the words audible all over a theatre and at the same time put in a bit of acting. Mr. R. M. Keown, however, was able to do it very creditably. Songs that depend on the words and on the manner of their delivery, call for a degree of skill to which the amateur very seldom attains.

It is quite clear that the Philharmonic Society miss Mrs. Bowes-Smith. She has not only a lovely voice, but also that confidence in her own powers which serves to hold together and encourage the more uncertain of her supporters. In nearly every amateur society you find one man or woman, who holds the caste together and sets the standard. This is a very different matter from what is, perhaps, the curse of stage and screen alike; the star who swamps all the rest of the characters and makes them look "amateurish" in comparison. Mrs. Anderson Morshead was the pivot of "Mrs. Cheyne." Her charming ease of manner radiated right through the performance in exactly the same way as did Mrs. Bowes-Smith's presentation of "Mabel" in the "Pirates of Penzance."

(Continued on next column).

We are in touch with the Hong Kong A.D.C. the Philharmonic Society, the Tai Koo Recreation Club and many other similar Associations which are contributing help.

It is well to tell you at the outset that concerts start at 8 o'clock and finish about 10 p.m. This is not a convenient hour for many, but if you are willing to assist, you will not object to a little inconvenience in a good cause.

Through the kindness of the Church Body, the Cathedral Hall has been allocated to us for practice purposes and those singing will be able to arrange with their accompanists to run over their songs there. While it is impossible at the present stage of organization to make any definite statement as to the extent we shall have to call upon your services, still it is hoped that it may not be more than two, or possibly three, times each month.

Mr. T. V. Harmon is Hon. Secretary of this Committee, a list of whose names I attach hereto, together with the personnel of the General Committee. I shall be glad if you will kindly return, either to me or to Mr. Harmon, c/o Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, the enclosed form duly filled in. Care should be taken to indicate clearly how you are prepared to help, as this will assist in the preparation of the programmes. As long notice as possible will be given you with regard to details of concerts.

The Colony has some hard work ahead and I trust you will make an effort to help in every way possible.

Yours faithfully,

R. SUTHERLAND,

Chairman,

Entertainment Sub-Committee.

March 31st, 1927.

Some Good Performances.

To return to "Pinafore" Mrs. Watts as "Little Buttercup" sang well and played well but it was an individual performance and, after all, hers was not a central rôle. Mr. A. J. J. Brock might have made "Sir Joseph Porter" the central figure, but it would have needed very great skill to do so. He gave, however, a finished and delightful performance and his great song "The Ruler of the King's Navies" was delivered with just that air of whimsical self depreciation which saves "Sir Joseph" from pomposity.

Mrs. Marcel as "Josephine," suffered from a shyness which neither allowed her to use her voice to full advantage, nor to take on the far harder task of supporting the rest of the cast, though she held her place as leading lady and a very charming one too.

"Pinafore" is a difficult Opera, difficult for professionals, and almost impossible for amateurs unless there are one or two members of the society with quite exceptional talent. There is very little action and the solo songs are long and far from easy to sing. Despite this the Philharmonic Society have managed to give an enjoyable performance though not one which will be remembered among their triumphs. As is usual with all the shows they stage, the dressing is excellent, and the stage management shows proof of a skill and drilling unusual in amateur productions. The team work was good, every member doing his or her best to play their own part, and back up the others; but there is no really outstanding performance. Mr. D. M. Richards who took the part of Ralph Rackstraw the hero "top mast man" deserves a special mention. His songs are pitched rather high for the average amateur tenor, and the rôle of romantic and somewhat bombastic here does not offer the same opportunities as that of the first lord or the manly "Captain of the Pinafore."

Cast, Officials and Orchestra.

The cast was as follows:—The Rt. Hon. Sir Joseph Porter, K.C.B., First Lord of the Admiralty, A. J. J. Brock; Captain Cororan, Commanding, H.M.S. *Pinafore*, R. M. Keown; Ralph Rackstraw, Able Seaman, D. M. Richards; Dick Deadeye, Able Seaman, C. P. Marcel; Bill Bobsay, Boatwain's Mate, N. V. Hayward; Bob Beckett, Carpenter's Mate, R. Dormer; Tom Tucker, Midshipmite, Teddy Bullock; Josephine, The Captain's Daughter, Mrs. C. P. Marcel; Hebe, Sir Joseph's First Cousin, J. Hollidge; Mrs. Cripps (Little Buttercup), a Portsmouth Bumboat-Woman, Mrs. G. Watt; Chorus of First Lord's Cousins, His Sisters, His Aunts, Sailors and Marines, Messdames Cornaby, Fleming, Greenwood, Hayward, Head, Hooper, Hurst, McLeod, Nowers, Pankhurst, Shinn and Strange.

Misses Cole, Dunn, Fjelding, Gillingham, McClay, Murphy, Spanton and Stuart.

Messrs. Allman-Ward, Baldwin, Bates, Bell, Bennett, Best, Bickford, Cargill, Fountain, Lake, A. A. Lewis, F. H. G. Lewis, Price, Provan, Ramsay, Ridyard, Simmonds, Simpson, Stone, E. C. Thomas, R. D. Thomas, Thomson, Westlake, Whelan and Winfield.

The following were the officials, etc.:—

Stage Manager and Producer, Mr. R. R. Davies; Assistant Stage Manager and Producer, Mr. W. E. Price; Property Master, Mr. G. W. R. Griggs; Wardrobe Mistress, Mrs. H. Harrison; Hon. Accompanist, Mrs. C. E. Millard, B.A.; Prompter, Mr. E. P. Lenfestey.

Scenery and programme cover designed by Lieut. B. I. O'Donnell, R.M., and scenery painted by Chan Sin Fong. Stage lighting by Messrs. Cole, Derrick and Stopani. Thomson. Men's Costumes by Ah Men and King Cheong. Ladies' dresses by Ah Chung.

The Committee of the Hong Kong Philharmonic Society desire to express their thanks to:—Messdames Allman-Ward and Jenner, and to Messrs. Hurst, Luck and Nicholson for assistance given in the production of the opera, to the A.D.C. for loan of flood lights, etc., and to Mr. W. H. Fitz-Earle, A.R.C.M., for orchestrating the overture.

The Orchestra:—Violins: Miss E. I. Box, Miss R. Judah, Mrs. G. W. R. Griggs, Mr. H. C. Leong, Mr. W. L. Ayles, Mr. C. A. F. Xavier, Mr. G. E. Longyear; Cello: Mr. N. U. Botelho; Bass: Mr. P. N. Segusira; Flute: Bandman A. McKenna; Oboe: Bandman W. Robinson; Clarinet: Band Sgt. G. Ware; Bassoon: Bandman W. Needham; Trumpet: Corpl. H. Latimer; Trombone: Bandman G. Wharrie; French Horn: Corpl. C. Perkins; Timpani: Bandman T. Bergman; At the Piano: Mrs. C. E. Millard, B.A.; Hon. Conductor: Mr. W. R. Fleming.

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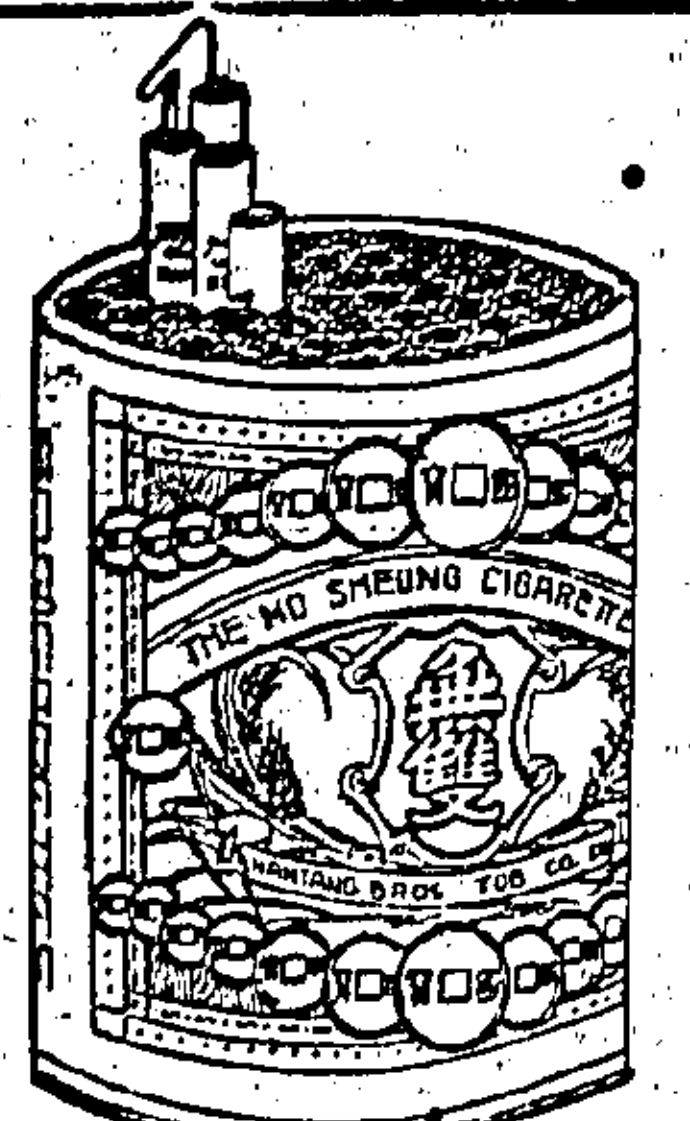
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REISS, MASSEY & CO., LTD.
Hong Kong, 2nd April, 1927. [4751]

NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the General Committee of the ALICE MEMORIAL & AFFILIATED HOSPITALS will be held on MONDAY, 4th APRIL, in the Chamber of Commerce Board Room, at 12.30 P.M. All Members are requested to be Present.

(Signed) H. R. WELLS,
Secretary.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

DRAFT Programmes and Entry Forms for the SECOND EXTRA RACE MEETING to be held on SATURDAY, the 16th, and MONDAY, the 17th of APRIL, 1927 (Weather Permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Hong Kong Club and Causeway Bay Stables.

Entries will CLOSE at 4 P.M. on WEDNESDAY, the 5th of APRIL, 1927. [4752]

ROYAL HONG KONG YACHT CLUB.

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THE SEVENTH BI-ANNUAL RACE for SHIPS' LIFEBOATS will be sailed on WEDNESDAY, the 20th APRIL Next, Starting at 4 P.M. Each Ship may enter Any Number of Boats.

Course:—Start from CHANNEE ROCK, thence to KOWLOON (P), Mark of YACHT CLUB (S), CUST HOCK GAS BUOY (P), Finish at the YACHT CLUB across the Line from West to East.

Competing Boats should be in Position at the Starting Line by 3.30 P.M.

Ships proposing to enter Boats are requested to Notify the HON. SECRETARY, Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club, Not Later Than Noon, APRIL the 18th.

F. J. EASTERBROOK,
Hon. Secretary, R.H.K.Y.C.
Hong Kong, April 1st, 1927. [4753]

NOTICE.

THE Sanitary Board wishes to Draw the Attention of the Public, and especially of Those who have recently come to this Colony, to the possibility of acquiring Diseases, e.g., dysentery and Typhoid Fever by eating of Uncooked Vegetables.

Chinese Market-gardeners use manure from human sources and their custom is to pour the manure or spray it from watering-pots in liquid form over the Growing Plants.

Diseases-producing Parasites are therefore possibly present on the Surface of Plants, e.g., Lettuce, over which the Gardener's spray falls.

D. DAVIES,
Secretary, SANITARY BOARD
2nd April 1927. [4757]

INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS & SHIPBUILDERS OF HONG KONG.

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A PAPER WILL BE READ BY L. C. F. BELLAMY, Esq. (Member) (MEMBER INSTITUTE OF TRANSPORT)

ON URBAN & SUBURBAN TRANSPORT (The Economics of Electrification)

ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5th AT 5.45 P.M.

Chairman: JAMES ORMISTON, Esq. Immediate Past President.

Members and Friends who may be interested are Cordially Invited to be Present.

A. LANDSEERT,
Hon. Secretary.

ROYAL HONG KONG YACHT CLUB.

INTER-SERVICES AND CLUB REGATTA.

ALL Members, Competitions and Friends are advised that Launches will Leave QUEEN'S PIER for the YACHT CLUB on SATURDAY, APRIL 2nd, Every FIFTEEN MINUTES from 2.15 P.M. to 3.30 P.M.

Launches will also be available for the Return Journey after the Prize Distribution.

Naval Ratings and Other Banks of all Services will be Welcome at the Club, North Point, to witness the REGATTA. For Details of Events see Posters and Programmes.

F. J. EASTERBROOK,
Hon. Secretary,
R.H.K.Y.C.
Hong Kong, March 31st, 1927. [4761]

INTIMATIONS.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. Wm. B. WILSON, BIRD in our Firm CEASED on the 31st MARCH, 1927.

PALMER & TURNER,
Hong Kong, 1st April, 1927. [4753]

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THE SUMMER TERM will Begin on TUESDAY, APRIL 5th. An Examination for New Students will be held on APRIL 4th at 9 A.M. For Prospectus, for Boarders and Day-boys, Apply—

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THE THIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, "ST. GEORGE'S" BUILDING, No. 6, CONNAUGHT ROAD, on FRIDAY, the 4th APRIL, 1927, at 2.30 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the Year ended 31st DECEMBER, 1926, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, 31st MARCH, 1927, until FRIDAY, the 4th APRIL, 1927, Both Days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers,
Hong Kong, 30th March, 1927. [4750]

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The Vessel will be on View at H.M. NAVAL DEPOT, KOWLOON, from the 21st MARCH, 1927.

Tenders will be received in the Office of the NAVAL STORE OFFICER, H.M. DOCKYARD, Up to Noon on MONDAY, 25th APRIL, 1927. [4754]

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION ACTION No. 475 of 1926.

BETWEEN CHAN PEK CHUAN, Plaintiff AND LAU YIK CHEUK, Defendant.

M. R. E. V. M. R. DE SOUSA, has received instruction from the Registrar of the Supreme Court To Sell By

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THE DISTRIBUTION OF CAPITAL.

Some striking facts are contained in the third report of the Committee on Trade and Industry which has just been issued in London as a State document. The Committee, appointed in 1924 by the Labour Government was fortunate in having Sir ARTHUR BALFOUR as chairman, for Sir ARTHUR is one of the most experienced authorities in England on industrial questions. His business qualifications are too numerous to be set forth in detail, but he is perhaps best known as a pre-eminent Master Cutler of Sheffield, a leading member of very many Government inquiries in war and peace time, and a banker of high position. The report contains a straightforward recital of indisputable facts which the Committee ascertained and has now published in the discharge of its duty. But as they are destructive of a great many familiar misrepresentations which Socialists find useful the Labour signatories of the report have been hectoring by the Parliamentary Labour Party for their offence in vouching for embarrassing truths. The process has been specially applied to Miss MARGARET BONDFIELD, M.P., who was Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Labour in Mr. RAMSAY MACDONALD's Government. It seems

that nothing will serve your thorough-going Socialist so much as the publication of hard facts which upset his pet theories regarding life and the business of Government.

One of the main planks in the Socialist platform is the alleged rapacity of Capitalists, who are represented as insatiable vampires. They are always alluded to as numerically a small but exceedingly powerful class, and they are supposed to live idly and enjoy all manner of luxuries as a result of grinding the faces of the poor. The workers sweat that the greedy Capitalists may repose at ease.

But what is the truth of this matter? If we turn to the findings of Sir ARTHUR BALFOUR's Committee we find an analysis of the holdings of capital in the five great banks and in 18 large manufacturing, trading, shipping and insurance companies. The total capital of these concerns, amounting to £212,000,000, is distributed over 779,000 holdings, the average being only £272. Nearly 86 per cent. of the holdings of capital in the 18 large undertakings referred to are of £500 or less. In the four great railway companies 56 per cent. of the holdings do not exceed £500.

A similar analysis carried out in many other directions would yield similar results. It is therefore clear as a general rule that instead of the bulk of the wealth of the country being concentrated in the hands of a few, it is very widely distributed—so widely, indeed, as to knock the bottom out of the Socialist arguments respecting Capital. Moreover, it is also plain that as Capital is so widely distributed—that is to say, since there are so many people with small holdings in all sorts of undertakings—the Socialists who cherish wild dreams of getting hold of the wealth of the country by dispossessing the few comparatively rich people, are beating the air.

It is very useful to have facts like the foregoing publicly proved. It helps to clear away misconceptions. It shows how the savings of vast masses of the people are invested. But there are other factors in this connection of especial interest and importance which it is agreeable to set forth. We learn that Post Office and Trustee Savings Banks' deposits have steadily increased since the war and that buildings societies' assets have continued to expand.

The amount now invested in National Savings Certificates in Great Britain is £450,000,000. Here we have a vivid picture in miniature of post-war Britain under "Capitalism." How many people would really be willing to exchange a share in the social and industrial life of Britain for a corresponding share in the life of Communist Russia where the officially-stated average weekly wage of a trade unionist is about 28s. 6d. a week in nominal, and about 12s. a week in real, value? The "hot air" merchants of the parks and street-corners who rant against the existing order of Society cannot get past solid truth when it is revealed. No wonder the Parliamentary Labour Party have felt annoyed. Their frame of mind should afford men of good will, who know the reason for it, complete satisfaction.

Entries close to-day for the Lawn Bowls Open Championships.

One Chinese case of small-pox was notified from Kowloon on Thursday.

The dance being held to-night at the Hotel Savoy by H.M.S. Frolicher, is the first function of its kind held in Hong Kong by this ship's company.

There will be a sitting of the Bankruptcy Court this morning, when several public examinations concerning local Chinese business firms will be heard.

There will be a social gathering, with music and light refreshments, following evensong to-morrow at St. John's Cathedral. Service men are specially invited to be present.

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Sentence of three months' hard labour was yesterday morning passed on a Chinese on conviction of a charge of uttering a forged ten-dollar note at the Salford Store, at Happy Valley.

The annual prize distribution of the Dockside English School is to take place at a concert this afternoon at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. Professor C. A. Middleton Smith will distribute the awards. The function begins at two o'clock.

A tailor "living at 20, Aberdeen Street, second floor, has reported to the police that between two and six o'clock on Thursday morning, clothing to the value of \$135 was stolen from his shop. The thieves effected an entry by breaking the grille outside the door.

Draft programmes and entry forms for the second extra race meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, which is to be held on Saturday, April 16th, and Monday, April 18th, may be obtained at the Race Course, Hong Kong Club, and Causeway Bay Stables. Entries close at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, April 5th.

The Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, to whose activities in the Colony tribute was paid at the meeting of the Legislative Council meeting on Thursday, leaves the Colony to-day in the P. & O. s.s. *Macedonia* for Rome. In view of his many interests and personal popularity in the Colony, there will be a large number of friends to see him off.

As previously stated this week, "Founders' Day" and annual prize-giving in connection with St. Stephen's Boys' College will be celebrated this evening at the Hong Kong University. The function commences at 7.30 p.m. in the Great Hall, and the Vice-Chancellor (Mr. W. W. Hornell, C.I.E., M.A.) will distribute the prizes. A special invitation to attend, we are asked to state, is issued to Old Boys and friends.

An accident which might have had serious results was averted on Thursday by the discovery at the Takook Sugar Refinery that certain tanks of a vacuum pump had been broken. A Chinese charged before Mr. B. E. Lindsell yesterday with being in possession of some of the missing parts, was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour. Had the machine been started without these parts a serious accident would have taken place.

At the Central Magistracy yesterday 10 Chinese were brought up on charges arising out of a police raid on a house in Wing Lok Street, where, it was stated, 6,000 lottery tickets of a nominal value of \$1,000 were discovered, and \$91 dollars in cash. The ten Chinese were all busily engaged, so it was alleged, on the clerical work in connection with the lottery. The first defendant was accused of running the lottery and the others of being accessories. The case was adjourned till Tuesday.

A Chinese was yesterday morning charged before Mr. Lindsell on three counts of theft of various articles of clothing from two houses in West Street and one in New Street, West Point. Sgt. Whant said that in all three cases the clothing was put out to dry in front of the houses. On the

THE POWERS' PROBLEM WITH REGARD TO CHINA.

QUESTIONS OF ULTIMATUM, COMPENSATION AND APOLOGY.

POWERS CONSIDERING ADVISABILITY OF JOINT ACTION.

"STRUGGLE INTENSIFYING BETWEEN 'MODERATES' AND 'REDS'"

CONFERENCE AT THE WHITE HOUSE ON DEVELOPMENTS IN CHINA.

U.S. PRESIDENT CONSULTS WITH HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS.

The Powers are at present struggling with the perplexing problem regarding the proper attitude to adopt towards China's Nationalist Government.

If unity is reached, it may be that an ultimatum will be presented to the Nationalists, and certainly a demand for compensation and an apology with regard particularly to the Nanking atrocities.

It is stated that the struggle in various parts of China, between the "Moderates" and the "Reds" is intensifying. The "odds," meantime, appear to be in favour of the "Reds."

Chiang Kai Shek, interviewed, expresses the opinion that China suffered indignity in the shelling at Nanking, and that, so far as he is concerned, he does not hold himself responsible for what might happen in the Shanghai Settlements, so long as foreign troops are there. He appears to wish that the residents of the Settlements would rely upon the good offices of Southern troops.

Meanwhile, with what may appear to some people as evidence of singular detachment, Japan intends to hold her usual "annual manoeuvres" at Tsingtao. Her 4 battleships, 3 cruisers, 16 destroyers and 8 submarines now lying off Tsingtao, would, of course, be very useful in any emergency that might arise.

THE POWERS AND CHINA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 1st. The reports that the Cabinet yesterday night decided to send an ultimatum to the Cantonese with regard to the Nanking outrages are not borne out.

Information from well-informed quarters has pointed out that no action is likely to be taken by Britain alone in view of the fact that all foreigners have been equally subjected to attack.

The question of compensation and apology must be considered by each Government involved and the presentation of an isolated demand by one Power would perhaps give a false impression of lack of unity. Consequently, no ultimatum is likely to be made until all the nations concerned are agreed upon a joint course.

The Powers are now considering this matter.

AMERICA AND THE STATE OF AFFAIRS IN CHINA.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, April 1st. A long conference at the White House of the State Department took place yesterday evening, presumably in connection with the developments in China. There is no indication that any decision has been reached.

President Coolidge has conferred with Mr. William, Secretary of the Navy, Mr. Kellogg, Secretary of the State Department, and with Mr. Johnston, Chief of Far Eastern Affairs.

Meanwhile, Consular reports have confirmed press advices of the continued menace to foreigners at various points in China and these are reflected in the orders given to the Marine Corps officials to check the forces available in case Admiral Williams should call for more men to protect the lives of Americans.

FRENCH TROOPS' COMMAND.

COLONEL MAY BE SENT TO SHANGHAI.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, April 1st. The *Echo de Paris* states that Admiral Basire has asked that an officer be sent to command the French troops at Shanghai. Probably a colonel will be sent to Shanghai from Indo-China.

MR. T. V. SOONG.

PREFERS TO LIVE AMONG THE FOREIGNERS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, April 1st. Mr. T. V. Soong, Nationalist Minister of Finance, has taken a house in the International Settlement where, under the protection of foreign forces, he is finding it safer to live than outside.

THE NANKING BOMBARDMENT.

AN AMERICAN NAVAL OFFICER'S STATEMENT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, March 31st. Lieut.-Comdr. R. Smith, Jr., the Commander of the U.S.S. *Yankee*, who was the Senior American Officer Nanking prior to the arrival of Admiral Hough, interviewed here, has emphasised that there was close cooperation between the British and Americans at Nanking on March 24th.

"There was no question of the British leading the Americans into this affair. We acted in perfect harmony after full consultation between myself and the Commander of H.M.S. *Emerald*. As a matter of fact, the Americans were the first to act in laying a barrage round Sany Hill, my ship getting off first with two salvoes."

Eye-witnesses of events on the U.S.S. *Yankee's* bridge report that Lieut.-Comdr. Smith, on receipt of the "S.O.S." signal gave the command which opened the firing as follows: "Well, I'll either get a court martial or a medal for this. Let me go, Benjie!"

Benjie was Lieutenant Benjamin F. Staud, the *Yankee's* Executive Officer.

NANKING OUTRAGES.

THE POWERS CONCERNED FORMULATING DRAFT DEMANDS.

UNITED ACTION BEING CONSIDERED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 31st. It is authoritatively learned that draft demands for reparation regarding the Nanking outrages are being formulated by the Powers concerned and that the question of united action is being considered. There is absolute agreement that the incidents cannot be overlooked. The terrible and almost unforgivable nature of the incidents is emphasised. "It is impossible to publish some of the details in the interests of decency."

If the Powers' demands are not complied with, immediate attention will be given to what steps shall be taken to enforce them. The Chinese policy of the British Government is unchanged, but incidents like Nanking make it increasingly difficult to pursue it. There is a strong determination to present the possibility of future outrages and possible joint action, of no weak nature, by the Powers is foreshadowed.

GENERAL CHIANG KAI SHEK'S VIEWS.

INTERVIEWED BY FOREIGN NEWSPAPERMEN AT SHANGHAI.

NANKING AND OTHER MATTERS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, March 31st. In the course of a two-hour interview given to foreign pressmen this afternoon, General Chiang Kai Shek, in referring to the Nanking incident, declared that a full investigation was being made. "If the result fixes the responsibility on the Nationalist forces, I am prepared to give full satisfaction, even an indemnity to wounded and the families of the killed."

He added that he regarded the British and American bombardment of Nanking unjustifiable and a great indignity. He had instructed the Nanking Garrison Commander to protest to the British and American naval authorities against the bombardment.

"A Serious Reflection."

He went on to refer to the unfavourable impression produced by the presence of foreign warships and military forces in Shanghai and the defence measures of the International Settlement and French Concession which he regarded as "a serious reflection on Nationalist ability to maintain law and order." He said it was undeniable martial law in the Settlements and to the numerous defence measures, the feeling between the Chinese population and the Nationalist forces on the one hand and the foreign community on the other was growing more and more tense every day. Such a situation could not long continue.

Regarding the International Settlement, he declared that it was the settled policy of the Nationalist Government not to use force or mass violence in any form to effect a change in the status of foreign Settlements. Only peaceful means were contemplated, but "so long as foreign troops and warships undertake the protection of foreign lives and property and the Chinese have no share in that protection so long will we take no responsibility in the matter."

"Unavoidable Incidents."

Questioned regarding the recent incidents at Hankow and Changsha, General Chiang replied that "China is in the throes of a revolution and such incidents are unavoidable. As far as Hankow was concerned, he believed the present situation was due to the activity of the pickets of the Labour Unions, who were not altogether under control."

Asked whether the Nationalist troops at Hankow were under his direct control, and whether he took responsibility for their action, General Chiang Kai Shek replied that "the troops stationed in Hupoh and at Hankow are under the control of the Government who will take responsibility for their action."

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

"No Responsibility" for Nanking.

SHANGHAI, March 31st. The newspapers state that General Chiang Kai Shek, in an interview with a Japanese journalist, informed him that he declined to accept any responsibility for the trouble at Nanking.

Supporter of Chiang Kai Shek Dismissed.

[CHINESE PRESS SERVICE.] From a Chinese we learn that General Chen Ming Shiu has been dismissed by the Executive Council of the Kuomintang at Hankow. He is a strong supporter of General Chiang Kai Shek and had been in command of the 11th Army Corps. His headquarters in Canton have been dissolved by General Li Chai Hsin.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Growing Truculence.

LONDON, March 31st. To-day news from Nanking is that the attitude adopted by the Cantonese towards foreigners and foreign property, is increasingly truculent.

Conditions on shore make it unsafe for foreigners to land.

Two foreign vessels which, last night, left port were heavily fired on from the land. Guns on Lion Hill and the city walls are turned on all vessels entering port. Further foreign property has been looted.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

No Contact.

NANKING, March 31st. No attempt has been made by the Chinese authorities to confer with the foreign officials regarding the recent outrages. The situation is easier.

U.S. Admiral at Wuhu.

WUHU, March 31st. Admiral Hough, the American Commander of the U.S. ships in the Upper Yangtze, has arrived here from Nanking. Considerable troop movement is being effected, but otherwise the city is quiet.

Hankow's "Red" Methods.

SHANGHAI, March 31st. The following is one of many *Reuter* messages from Hankow, which have recently been suppressed by the Hankow censors. The message is dated March 16th. —

"Although ratepayers in the ex-British Concession (now a Special Administration District) voted yesterday an increase in the 1927 Police expense budget of 11,000 taels over the 1926 figure in compliance with a demand by the Chinese, there is no sign of adequate police protection."

"On Monday, a Chinese employee was dragged from the British American Tobacco Company's premises and arrested by the Union."

"Today, another was dragged away from the Company's office, the Union threatening to take six more cases of the Company's products, valued at 20,000 taels, was stolen by pickets and strikers alongside Messrs. Butterfield & Swire's hulk and done away with. The police were watching and did not prevent the act. On the contrary, they assisted the strikers to kidnap one of the employees."

20,000 Chinese Leave Shanghai.

SHANGHAI, March 31st. Chinese have been deserting Shanghai and leaving for Ningpo. It is estimated that at least 20,000 have departed, in the course of the last week.

Doubt as to the adequacy of the defensive measures taken by the French authorities for the protection of foreigners and foreign property in the French Concession is causing much concern among the residents of the French Concession, a feeling which has been enhanced by the construction of a barbed wire barricade along the Avenue Edouard VII.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Warships and Wounding.

LONDON, March 31st. In consequence of the recent naval action between the Northern and the Southern forces, Admiral Wang has requested that foreign shipping should only pass Woosung during daylight.

The Foreign Senior Officers have consented to this only in the case of merchant shipping, reserving full freedom for warships.

"Stars and Stripes" Torn Down at Chungking.

SHANGHAI, March 31st. Growing anti-Americanism is reported at Chungking, where the Consul and Vice-Consul have taken up their quarters in an American gunboat. All American firms have closed, and American residents are concentrated near the waterfront. It is learned that the Chinese tore down the Stars and Stripes from the Consulate on March 24th.

Anti-foreignism is rife at Nanking and it is dangerous for foreigners to move. Chinese messengers assert that the crowds threaten to shoot any Britisher landing. The Nationalists are setting up artillery on a hill overlooking the river and the guns are trained on all foreign warships.

The French Consul-General has protested to the Nationalists against the murder of two Jesuit Fathers during the Nanking incident, one of whom was Italian and the other French.

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LABOUR CHAFING UNDER "RED" TYRANNY.

UNION HEADQUARTERS ATTACKED AND BURNED.

A "TUG-OF-WAR."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, April 1st.

There are increasing signs that labour is beginning to chafe under the tyranny of the "Red" Unions, as both the Ningpo and Hangchow headquarters of the Unions have been attacked and burnt down by the workers. The chief complaint of the latter was that the General Labour Union is controlled by a small dictatorial clique who are punishing and persecuting any daring to disobey their orders or disagree with their methods. Above all, that the workers, so far, have not really benefited under this new regime owing to the prevalence of so many strikes and lockouts and the closing of so many shops. Briefly, the workers at Ningpo and Hangchow have felt that they were better off formerly.

The latest news is that the victory of the "Moderates" is likely to be short-lived as experienced "Red" dictators are being despatched to Hankow, Ningpo and Hangchow.

"Only meagre details" of the troubles in these cities have percolated to Shanghai, where also there are indications that all is not well in the Kuomintang camp. While a meeting of "Moderates" yesterday adopted a resolution asking Chiang Kai Shek to eliminate the "Red" elements of the Party. Another meeting of the "Left Wingers" adopted a resolution urging the expulsion of the "Conservatives" and the immediate restoration of the Settlements.

Undoubtedly, trouble is brewing in these two sections here. All the best informed Chinese are backing the "Reds" to win.

ITALY'S DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR SERVICE.

IMPORTANT CHANGES.

NO MORE "EXCELLENCIES."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

ROME, April 1st.

Addressing the Chamber, Signor Grandi, Under-Secretary of Foreign Affairs, announced that all Italian diplomats henceforth will have to serve an apprenticeship in the Consular service, after which it will be decided whether the candidates remain Consuls or be assigned to a diplomatic career.

In pursuance of Signor Mussolini's plan for the abolition of all titles and honorific ranks the title of "excellency" will no longer be conferred on Ministers Plenipotentiary of the First Class.

U.S. AND NICARAGUA.

AMERICA LOOKING FOR RIFLEMEN.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, April 1st. As it has been decided not to reduce the Marine Forces in Nicaragua, it is understood that the Corps Commander is coming out every available detachment in the United States to find riflemen to fill up a regiment at Quantico for use, if needed.

OBITUARY.

A NOTABLE CHINESE SCHOLAR.

[CHINESE PRESS SERVICE.]

SHANGHAI, April 1st.

Mr. Kiang Yu Wei, the well-known Chinese scholar, passed away at Tsingtao on March 31st. [Mr. Kiang Yu Wei had a large number of students throughout China, including the well-known scholar Mr. Liang Chi Chao. Yesterday two of his old students in the Colony left for the North to attend the funeral.]

AT SWATOW.

U.S. CRUISER AND BRITISH SUBMARINE.

[CHINESE PRESS SERVICE.]

An American cruiser arrived at Swatow on March 28th and a British submarine the following day.

Americans Warned.

The American Consul has warned all American citizens in his district to concentrate at Swatow in the event of hostile developments on the part of the Chinese.

ENGLISHMEN LIVING LONGER.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

LONDON, March 31st. Englishmen are living longer now, according to the annual report issued by the Registrar-General of Births and Deaths.

A man born between 1838 and 1854 was above the average if he was still alive at forty. A baby boy of to-day can reasonably expect to attain the age of 65.

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JAPANESE FLEET AT TSINGTAO.

BATTLESHIPS, CRUISERS, DESTROYERS AND SUBMARINES.

TIMELY MANOEUVRES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TSINGTAO, April 1st.

The Japanese First Fleet, consisting of 4 battleships, 3 cruisers, 16 destroyers and 8 submarines, have arrived for the annual manoeuvres. It is emphasised that the visit is unconnected with the situation in China.

THE "PAN-AMERICAN CRISIS."

INFLUENTIAL ARGENTINE NEWSPAPER'S COMMENT.

[THROUGH AMERICAN SERVICE.]

BUENOS AIRES, April 1st. Entitled the "Pan-American Crisis," a leader in the newspaper *La Prensa* declares that the restrictions on the import of Argentine produce, recently made by the United States, does not affect Argentina so much as the United States intervention in Nicaragua.

La Prensa says that the Pan-American crisis will be rendered acuter if the United States persists in interfering in matters affecting all the other countries of America.

AMERICA'S COAL INDUSTRY.

BIG STRIKE ANTICIPATED.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

CHICAGO, April 1st.

130,000 bituminous coal miners are prepared to strike at midnight when the owners of the central co-operative field announce that the wartime wage scale will lapse. The owners predict a stoppage until the Miners' Union officials accept a reduced scale.

MR. HENRY FORD'S CONDITION.

CONFLICTING REPORTS.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

DETROIT, April 1st. A hospital bulletin states that Mr. Henry Ford is progressing favourably. Nevertheless, newspaper correspondents at Detroit are less optimistic. The *New York Evening Post* correspondent declares that Mr. Ford is spitting blood and is suffering from internal hemorrhage.

BRITISH FINANCES.

OVER £36,000,000 DEFICIT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 31st. The Exchequer, at the close of the financial year to-day, shows a deficit of £36,633,704.

Property and Income Tax.

LONDON, March 31st. Mr. Winston Churchill has budgeted for a revenue of £234,750,000, and an expenditure of £269,641,000. The revenue from property and income tax decreased £24,500,000 as compared with last year.

THE COLONIAL CONFERENCE IN LONDON.

MR. McLEDDERY TO REPRESENT HONG KONG.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 31st. The official list of representatives of the Colonies, Protectorates and Mandated Territories at the Colonial Office Conference to be held in May includes the following: Palestine, Mr. E. Mills; Ceylon, Mr. E. B. Alexander; Malay States, Mr. R. O. Winsted; Straits Settlements, Mr. H. Marriott; and Hong Kong, Mr. S. B. McLederry.

AN ANGLO-SPANISH TREATY.

STATEMENT IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 31st. Mr. G. Locker-Lampson, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, replying to a question in Parliament, said that negotiations between Great Britain and Spain for a Commercial Treaty had reached an advanced stage but he was not yet in a position to make a detailed statement.

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THE MA TAU KOK MURDER.

THREE MEN AND A WOMAN CHARGED.

The story of the ghastly murder of a Chinese woman was told in Court yesterday when three men and a woman were charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy.

Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith (Assistant Crown Solicitor) conducted the case for the prosecution, and the defendants were not legally represented.

Outlining his case, Mr. Whyte-Smith said that the murdered woman was found by an Indian constable at Ma Tu Kok on February 23rd at about half past five o'clock in the evening. The body was lying under a big piece of granite on the hillside.

The medical evidence would show that the deceased had two wounds on her forehead, so severe that the bone was broken into about 30 pieces. The woman had a glass eye and gold teeth which subsequently led to her identification.

Her home was at Maeno, where she was a laundress. He arrived in Hong Kong on February 23rd, with the object of obtaining work. At Maeno, she had met the first defendant, who gave her lodging at her house on arrival.

The following day, the second defendant was known to have taken the deceased out and returned alone.

At the beginning of March, efforts were made by the defendants to sell a little boy who had accompanied the deceased from Maeno.

The discovery of the body, however, led to investigations and the crime, so the prosecution alleged, had been traced to the defendants. Only formal evidence was taken and the case was adjourned.

A NEW RESIDENTIAL HOTEL.

NOT LAVISH BUT COMFORTABLE.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

A new hotel, known as the St. George Hotel, is to be open at Kennedy Road on April 10th by Miss F. E. Cameron, who has had over twenty years' experience in this line of business. She was formerly the proprietress of the Carlton Hotel at Ice House Street.

The aim of the new hotel is to provide a homely atmosphere for permanent residents. The furnishings are not lavishly done but comfort is assured.

The main building consists of two attached 2-story houses (Nos. 2 and 4, Kennedy Road) of six rooms each—three on each floor. The ground floors of the houses are connected by an archway, but upstairs the two 2-roomed suites are entirely separated and have independent stairways leading to the common corridor below. Two spacious connected dining rooms with glassed-in verandahs facing the harbour are situated on the ground floor of the main building, as is also a cozy drawing room. The other rooms are all comfortably furnished as bedrooms with lavatory and bathroom close at hand.

HEALTH BULLETIN OF EASTERN PORTS.

The health bulletin for Eastern ports for the week ending March 26th states—

Plague.

4 cases at Amoy.

2 cases at Colombo.

1 case at Sourabaya.

3 cases at Bangkok.

Cholera.

67 cases at Calcutta.

15 cases at Bangkok.

3 cases at Saigon.

THE WEEK-END SPORT.

A VERY ATTRACTIVE PROGRAMME.

WHAT IS TAKING PLACE.

Every week-end in Hong Kong sees have a big all-round programme of sport.

This week-end, is no exception, and can indeed claim to be "well above the average." There is no race meeting, it is true, but there are thousands to the Valley, but there are plenty of other interesting events on the sports schedule.

In the football world, the outstanding fixtures are the finals of the Hong Kong Football Association Challenge Shields. The Juniors (Kowloon and the King's Own Scottish Borderers) play their final on the Football Club ground, Happy Valley, at 2.30 p.m. to-day, followed by the Senior Final at 4.30 p.m. on the same ground. Kowloon and the King's Own Scottish Borderers are also the finalists in this match. The matches all promise to be closely contested.

There are a number of cricket matches, details of which will be found elsewhere, and to-morrow on the University ground, Pokfulam, the Volunteers, who to-day meet the Civil Service Cricket Club in a friendly, are playing Mr. A. A. Runjahn's XI.

There is golf, as usual, over the week-end at Fanling, particulars of which is also given.

The Central British School are holding their annual sports at King's Park, Kowloon, and the programme, a very interesting one, begins at 2.30 p.m. to-day. At the conclusion of the sports Mrs. Southern, wife of the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern (Colonial Secretary) will distribute the prizes.

Another attractive event is the "Closing Day" of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club this afternoon, with the annual match between President and Vice-President, followed by the distribution of prizes at the close. In a few weeks we shall have the opening of the Lawn Bowls Season, and entries for the Lawn Bowls League have already closed, with the same teams as last year entering.

The Regatta

Reference is made elsewhere to the programme arranged by the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club to-day where the inter-Services and Club gymnastics and regatta is being held. The fixture is being looked forward to with considerable interest in Service and Club circles, and great keenness has been shown in the training. Some excellent rowing and plenty of close finishes may be expected.

A large crowd is anticipated and a band will be in attendance; there will also be dancing during the afternoon. Special launches will leave Queen's Pier for the Yacht Club to-day every fifteen minutes from 2.15 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. Launches will also be available for the return journey after the prize distribution.

Naval ratings and other ranks of all Services will be welcomed at the Club. Messrs. Lane Crawford, Ltd., are providing the afternoon tea.

CRICKET.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

League: Division I.

Indian R.C. v. Royal Artillery.

Division II.

University v. Police R.C.

Kowloon C.C. v. R.A.O.C.

Friendly.

Civil Service C.C. v. Volunteers.

Craigengower v. Recreation.

Hong Kong C.C. 2nd v. Tamar.

To-morrow Match.

A. A. Runjahn's XI v. Volunteers, University ground.

HOCKEY.

CLUB LOSE TO H.M.S. "TAMAR."

Playing on the United Services Recreation Club ground yesterday evening, the Hong Kong Hockey Club lost to H.M.S. Tamar and small ships.

The final score was Tamar 3 goals, Club 1 goal.

At half-time the score was 2-1. As a matter of fact the winners were not entirely representative of the ship, for their team included four officers of the 2nd Punjab Regiment, who all played a sterling game and in no small way contributed to the defeat of the Club.

Inter-Ship Match.

Playing at Happy Valley on Thursday, H.M.S. Troop beat H.M.S. Tamar by one goal to nil. The match was not very interesting, the teams lacking combination.

LAWN TENNIS.

H.K.C.C. TOURNAMENT.

FINE MATCH BETWEEN FINCHER AND NG SZE KWONG.

By far the best match seen since the tournament started was played on the Hong Kong Cricket Club court yesterday when Ng Sze Kwong and E. C. Fincher met in the third round of the Open Singles Championship of the Colony. The game was watched by a large number of spectators who saw an unusually fine struggle lasting for over two hours.

Opening with a two sets to love lead, Ng Sze Kwong appeared to be heading for a comfortable win, when his young opponent suddenly struck form and altered the whole aspect of the match by taking the third set "easily." A ding-dong struggle was seen in the fourth set in which many exciting rallies were fought, Fincher eventually winning after eighteen games had been played. The final set was equally exciting and although Ng Sze Kwong claimed it, interest was maintained till the end.

Conditions were anything but good. An overcast sky and close atmosphere, coupled with a sticky ground made matters very uncomfortable for the players. Ground conditions suited Fincher more than his opponent.

Both players were frequently applauded for brilliant play.

The climax of the match was reached in the fourth set. Fincher led by 4-2, but Ng Sze Kwong brought the scores level. Both players were beginning to show signs of strain, but each point from then onwards was keenly fought for. Ng Sze Kwong first took the lead at 5-4 but Fincher equalised. The games went to 8 all, each in turn having the lead without being able to convert it into a win. Fincher then gained the upper hand and ran away with two games, thus bringing the scores to two sets all.

The final set was played in failing light. Fincher was still controlling the ball very well and placing judiciously. Ng Sze Kwong found very few easy chances but by better judgment and tactics took the lead from the beginning and eventually won the set at 6-3.

The Chinese started a strong forward drive as his chief attacking stroke and worked out many openings ending with a kill at the net. His greatest mistake, however, was playing to Fincher's backhand, which was by no means the latter's weak spot.

The loser, Fincher, directed his game mainly from the base line. He began well, but seemed to lose his head in the second set when Ng Sze Kwong kept on working his way up to the net. He recovered wonderfully during the third set and from then onwards gave his opponent no rest.

He scored a great many aces in the fourth set when the struggle was at its height and showed up very well in defence. Fincher finished strongly and although he did the more running of the two he appeared to show less signs of strain.

Ng Sze Kwong will now meet the winner of Yew Man Tuen and J. W. Leonard in the fourth round.

Other Events.

In the Open Doubles, Major Stevenson and Rev. Alexander beat Capt. Morris and Lieut. Sturgess by three sets to one, while Sewell gained the decision over Hyde in the replay of their Club Singles tie.

The detailed scores of yesterday's matches were as follow—

Open Singles.

Third Round:—Ng Sze Kwong beat E. C. Fincher, 6-3, 8-1, 2-6, 8-10, 6-3.

Open Doubles.

Second Round:—Major W. B. Stevenson and Rev. F. P. W. Alexander beat Capt. E. W. Morris and Lieut. G. Sturgess, 6-2, 4-6, 8-2, 6-4.

Club Singles.

G. W. Sewell beat W. Hyde, 6-2, 6-7, 6-4, 6-3.

Mixed Doubles.

Miss Butcher and A. J. Hazell beat E. C. Fincher and J. W. Leonard, 15-4, 6-3, 6-3.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

SHIELD FINALS TO-DAY.

SENIORS AND JUNIORS COMPETING.

The following games are down for decision to-day:—

H.K.F.A. Challenge Shields.

Junior.

K.O.S.B.'s Reserves v. Kowloon Reserves, at H.K.F.C. ground at 2.30 p.m. Referee: Mr. Gilbert. Linesmen: Messrs. Cowan and Gilmour.

Senior.

Kowloon (holders) v. K.O.S.B.'s, at H.K.F.C. ground, at 4.30 p.m. Referee: Capt. Austin, M.C., M.M. Linesmen: Messrs. Lamb and Lonsdale.

The games will be of ninety minutes duration. Should the scores then be equal, extra time, ten minutes each way will be played. Mrs. R. H. Kotewall will present the shields and medals at the close of the senior game.

Hong Kong League.

Division II. "A."

Kick-off at 3 p.m.

R.A. Reserves v. China Athletic A., at Sookunpoo "A" ground. Referee: Mr. Baldwin.

University v. St. Joseph's, St. Joseph's ground. Referee: Mr. Samy.

The final of the shields to-day should draw a big crowd to Happy Valley although the junior league game at Sookunpoo will have a still large number of spectators.

With McKelvie and Wheeler out of the Kowloon defence, the K.O.S.B.'s forwards should be able to score a few goals to-day. Much depends on the Alexander-McGlinchey wing for Kowloon will be weak on the right wing defence. Simms will find plenty to do to look after Humphreys and the result of the game appears to be in doubt. Kowloon appears in the final for the fifth year in succession. Having won in 1923-24, losing in 1924 to the East Surrey Regt. after a drawn game.

The K.O.S.B.'s Reserves should win easily against the Kowloon Reserves in the junior game.

R.A. and China "A" should play a good game in the "A" division, the winners will take the runners-up position.

St. Joseph's should beat the University.

HONG KONG F.A. CHALLENGE SHIELDS.

Senior Shield.

This trophy was presented by the Hong Kong Community in 1897. At that time there was neither League nor Association in the Colony and the competition was run by the Hong Kong Football Club. The shield supplied a real want in the Football world here.

The Competition is now run by the H.K.F.A. in the latter part of the season. It takes the form of a knock-out Competition. The runners-up in the competition getting the "David" Cup, presented by the Hong of S. J. David & Co.

List of previous winners:—

1897. H.M.S. Centurion.
1898. G. C. King's Own Rifles.
1899. H.K.F.C.
1900. G. C. R.W. Fusiliers.
1901. R.A. Siege Battery.
1902. H.C. R.W. Fusiliers.
1903. H.M.S. Glory.
1904. H.M.S. Albatross.
1905. R.W. Kents.
1906. H.M.S. Diadem.
1907. R.A.
1908. H.K.F.C.
1909. H.M.S. Bedford.
1910. The Buffs.
1911. Naval Dockyard.
1912. K.O.Y.L.I.
1913. R.E.
1914. R.G.A.
1915. R.E.
1916. H.K.F.C.
1917. Hong Kong Police.
1918. H.M.S. Titania.
1919. H.K.F.C.
1920. Kowloon F.C.
1921. East Surrey.
1922. Kowloon F.C.
1923. Kowloon F.C.

Junior Shield.

This shield was purchased by the H.K.F.A. in 1923. The runners-up in the competition getting the "J. J. Wilton" cup.

List of previous winners:—

1923. The King's Regt.
1924. H.M.S. Titania.
1925. East Surrey.
1926. East Surrey.

HOME FOOTBALL.

FIXTURES FOR TO-DAY.

A FULL LEAGUE PROGRAMME.

According to the official fixture list, all teams will be engaged in the English and Scottish Leagues to-day at Home.

The complete fixtures, as arranged, are as under:—

English League: Division I.

Arsenal v. Huddersfield T.
Aston Villa v. West Ham U.
Bolton W. v. The Wednesday.
Burnley v. Birmingham.
Cardiff C. v. Tottenham H.
Derby C. v. Everton.
Leeds U. v. W. Bromwich A.
Liverpool v. Sunderland.
Manchester U. v. Leicester C.
Newcastle U. v. Bury.
Sheffield U. v. Blackburn R.

Division II.

Bradford C. v. Blackpool.
Chelsea v. Reading.
Clapton O. v. Portsmouth.
Hull C. v. Barnsley.
Middlesbrough v. Oldham A.
Notts County v. Darlington.
Port Vale v. Fulham.
Preston N.E. v. Swansea T.
Southampton v. Grimsby T.
S. Shields v. Nottingham F.
Wolves v. Manchester C.

Division III. (Southern).

Brentford v. B.mouth and B.A.
Brighton and H.A. v. Charlton A.
Bristol R. v. Newport C.
Exeter C. v. Gillingham.
Luton T. v. Coventry C.
Merthyr T. v. Watford.
Millwall v. Plymouth A.
Northampton v. Bristol C.
Norwich C. v. Queen's Park R.
Southend U. v. Crystal Pal.
Swindon T. v. Aberdare A.

Division III. (Northern).

Accrington S. v. Wrexham.
Barrow v. Chesterfield.
Crewe A. v. Nelson.
Durham C. v. Wigan B.
Halifax T. v. Ashington.
Hartlepool U. v. Walsall.
Lincoln C. v. New Brighton.
Southport v. Rotherham U.
Stockport C. v. Bradford.
Rochdale v. Stoke City.
Tranmere R. v. Doncaster R.

Scottish League (Division I).

Celtic v. Danfermline A.
Cowdenbath v. Morton.
Dundee v. Hamilton A.
Falkirk v. Rangers.
Hearts v. Aberdeen.
Kilmarnock v. Clyde.
Motherwell v. Dundee U.
Partick T. v. St. Johnstone.
Queen's Park v. Hibernians.
St. Mirren v. Airdrieonians.

LEAGUE RESULTS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 31st.

Newport County suffered their first home defeat of the season to-day, Brighton and Hove Albion proving successful in a Third Division (South) match by one goal to nil.

THE BOAT RACE.

THE EVENT OF THE DAY AT HOME.

CAMBRIDGE THE FAVOURITES.

Considerable interest will centre at Home to-day around the big annual contest between Oxford and Cambridge, namely the annual inter-Varsity Boat Race, which takes place on the Thames from Putney to Mortlake. To-day's race will be the 79th, and of the 78 already rowed Oxford have won 40, and Cambridge, 37. One in 1877 was a dead heat.

In the past few years, Cambridge has come out on-top, and they are again favourites this year, mainly through the loss of Lilwell, Oxford's stroke, through ill-health. Oxford have won only one race since 1913. There were no races during the war.

The order of rowing and the weights of the crew will be as under:—

Cambridge.

Hon. J. S. Macleay (First Trinity) 11 7
T. E. Letchworth (Christ's) 12 3
J. C. Holcroft (Pembroke) 12 3
R. Beesly (First Trinity) 12 10
L. V. Devan (Lady Margaret) 13 4
J. B. Bell (Jesus) 13 2
S. K. Tubbs (Caius) 12 3
R. J. Elles (Trinity Hall) 11 6
J. A. Brown (Caius) (cox) 8 13

Oxford.

N. E. Whiting (Worcester) 11 6
(cox) 11 7
P. Johnson (Magdalen) 11 7
J. W. Shaw (Christ Church) 12 2
J. D. W. Thomson (University) 13 4
W. Rathbone (Christ Church) 13 0
H. T. Kingsbury (Queen's) 13 8
T. Edwards (Christ Church) 12 8
A. Rankin (Stoke) 11 7
Sir J. Croft (Barnes) 8 12

GOLF.

THE EASTER PROGRAMME.

WEEK-END PROGRAMME AND STARTING TIMES.

One of the principal attractions in the Golf Club's fixture list is the competition for the Shanghai Visitors' Cup, which will be played over the Old Course, from April 15th-18th inclusive. It is open to members only, with a \$1 entrance fee attached. The conditions are 36 holes, medal play under handicap. Two cards only may be taken out at any time during the four days. The winner receives a replica of the Cup and holds the trophy for one year. A prize for the 13 holes under handicap will also be awarded.

There is also a bogey pool competition from the 15th-18th inclusive. This is open to members and subscribers, with the same entrance fee as above. Unlimited entries will be accepted. Conditions are 18 holes, under handicap.

A medal round is announced for the same dates, open to members and subscribers, under the same conditions as the above competition. A novelty in this competition is that a prize will be given for the best score, less half handicap, over nine holes, but which nine, will be unknown to the players.

The three competitions mentioned above may be played for the same card, but no player can take more than one prize in the second and third on the same card, or more than one prize in the same competition. In case of ties, the competition committee will decide whether players shall play off or divide.

Another competition for the Old Course is Fourballs against Bogey, to be played on the same dates as above. This is open to members and subscribers, with the same entrance fee, \$1, and unlimited entries. Each player plays on 1 of his own handicap against Bogey, and the better ball of each pair at each hole counts.

On the New Course there will be a mixed medal round from the 10th to 17th and 2nd to 7th holes from April 15th to 18th inclusive. This is also open to members and subscribers. Owing to shortened course combined handicap only is allowed.

Although the troops have now vacated, or have practically vacated the New Course at Fanling, the 1st and 9th holes will not be playable for some little to come.

Junior Section.

Happy Valley golfers will not be at all sorry to hear the work of turning the Hong Kong Jockey Club Stables, into accommodation for troops is being postponed.

The second round of the Junior Section Championship has to be completed, according to the rules of the competition by to-day, but if the ground has proved too unsuitable for play, an extension of time, of probably a week will be granted.

Dr. Lyon meets J. M. McBride, R. W. Wallace meets W. McKay, F. Morrison meets J. Laing, and F. H. Glover meets J. McCubbin in the second round.

The semi-finals have to be played on or before Saturday, April 10th, and the final by Saturday, April 30th.

Army v. Club.

At Fanling this week-end there is the competition for the Captain's Cup, extending from to-day until Monday inclusive. In addition there has been arranged the match between the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club and the Army Golfing Society. There is some doubt as to whether this event will come off, in view of the fact that several officers have left the Colony for the North. It is possible, however, that others will take their place, and there will be singles, eight a side, in the morning, and fourballs in the afternoon.

K.G.O. and Junior Section.

A match has been arranged between the Kowloon Golf Club and the Junior Section (Happy Valley) of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club to be played on Sunday, April 10th, on the Kowloon Course. The teams will be twelve a side, with singles being played in the morning and foursomes in the afternoon. The teams are not yet known.

TO-MORROW'S STARTING TIMES AT FANLING.

8.25 a.m. to 8.50 a.m. reserved R.H.K.G.C. v. Army Golfing Society.
10.00 a.m. C. A. Middleton-Smith v. J. Middleton-Smith.
10.04 " M. Drevard and A. R. Sturt.
10.09 " D. J. Gilmore and K. S. Morrison.
10.12 " P. P. J. Wodehouse and V. M. Grayburn.
(Continued on next column).

YACHTING NOTES.

[BY "CHAU KUNG."]

The analysis of the Championship series for the Heyward-Hays and Cruiser Classes are given below:—

Heyward-Hays Class.

Champ. Event.	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
1st	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4
2nd	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3
3rd	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2
4th	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
5th	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3
6th	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2
7th	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
8th	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
9th	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	0
Total pts.	78	76	68	63	60	56	53	50	48
Position	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th

Cruisers.

Champ. Event.	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
1st	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3
2nd	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2
3rd	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
4th	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
5th	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	0
6th	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	0	0
7th	5	4	3	2	1	0	0	0	0
8th	4	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
9th	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Pts.	44	44	43	33	25	18	12	12	12
Position	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th

With this afternoon taken up by the Service Regatta no programme of sailing has been arranged but if members wish, a Menagerie race will be held on Sunday over a course of—Lymun Beacon (P), Mark on Line (S), Channel Rocks (S). Distance 7.8 miles. Starting at 11 a.m.

The Ladies are reported as having beaten the Club by 21 points to 15 but if the stories I have heard are only half true then it must be admitted that the correct score would be nearer 24 to 9! The sailing of the ladies' team was very good with Mrs. Mitchell showing the fleet the way home in Bluerose, Mrs. Adams being next in Why Wonder! The "morale" of the men seems to have been completely broken and one hears tales of considerable controversy among members of the team. The ladies have truly and properly shown them "How it is done."

It was, however, a most enjoyable day but with a little too much wind for the afternoon event so it was abandoned.

The result for the Cruiser Championship which was sailed with the "B" Handicap (wind under force 4) resulted in U. and I. beating Coquette by 7 mins. 53 secs, but the wind was rising practically all through the race and when the mark on Club Line was rounded the wind force must have been all of 5. Had this force of wind prevailed at 10 o'clock the race would have been sailed under "A" Handicap with U. and I. giving another 4 mins. 4 secs, which would have reduced the winning margin to just over 3 mins. Coquette hardly had her fair share of the Joss though at Lymun Beacon where she was "set up" and able to hold through the pass on one tack, U. and I. was headed off to the Hong Kong Shore and saw a 2 to 4 minutes lead wiped out.

Coquette lead round Tathong Rock and held it in to Collinson Point but inside the harbour limits there was considerably more weight in the wind which rather overwhelmed her with full canvas set.

It is anticipated that the race for the U. and I. prize will be sailed on Sunday, April 10th, over a course to be chosen by the donor.

"TREVESA" TROPHY.

VANCOUVER'S NEW PIER.

CANADIAN PACIFIC'S IMPORTANT ADDITION.

TO MEET DEMANDS OF RAPID GROWTH OF PACIFIC TRADE.

The February *Canadian Pacific*, the official bulletin of the Canadian Pacific Steamships' and Canadian Pacific Railways, Ltd., contains a very interesting description of the new pier at Vancouver, B.C., which is being built to meet the rapid increase in the growth of Pacific trade. Extracts from the article, which was reproduced from the *Railway Age*, are given below:

The Canadian Pacific is completing an important addition to its western terminals in the form of its new pier B.C. at Vancouver, B.C., to meet the demands being made by the rapid increase in the growth of Pacific trade. The Canadian Pacific is interested chiefly in the trade with Japan, China, Australia and New Zealand, which is of a very mixed and general character, and of which the most valuable single article handled is silk. As the transportation of this commodity from the Orient to the mills in New York involves exceedingly keen competition, it is necessary to transfer silk shipments from boat to rail with the least possible delay. With these considerations in mind the new pier has been planned with special reference to the trans-Pacific ships owned by the Company, of which the largest is the *Empress of Canada*, a vessel of 640 feet long and of 22,000 tons gross register. In addition to the Company's own boats, the new pier is intended to accommodate the Canadian Australasian Royal Mail Line, the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company, boats of the Ishihara, N.Y.K. and O.S.K. lines as well as other vessels which frequently apply for terminal facilities. The Company also proposes to handle much of its local coastal service at the pier. Since the new structure will provide berthing accommodation for at least five large vessels simultaneously, there is no doubt that this volume and variety of traffic can be handled satisfactorily. The Company has endeavored to equip the new pier with every facility for the handling of passengers, baggage and cargo, and it believes that the new structure will be one of the most complete and efficient of its kind.

The structure, which is 1,100 feet long by 331 feet wide, is the first permanent construction the Company has undertaken in its work of port development, the substructure being of reinforced concrete and the two two-story headhouse of structural steel, while the only timber construction used is in the single deck freight sheds.

The inshore approaches to the new structure are elaborate, but are designed for simplicity in the operation and to prevent traffic congestion. A new viaduct 1,000 feet long and wide enough at its narrowest point to accommodate four lines of traffic, connects both Granville and Burrard Streets with the upper deck of the headhouse. Dropping from the Granville Street approach to this viaduct a ramp with a grade of six per cent. leads to the level of the railway tracks and the lower deck headhouse or the pier proper, while another ramp drops from the Burrard Street approach of the viaduct toward pier A.

The headhouse covers the full width of the pier. On its upper floor are a concourse, general facilities for handling passengers, a baggage room, and office and store rooms for the Canadian Pacific ocean steamship services. On the lower floor are provided storage space, driveways into the sheds and entrances for the eight railway tracks.

The two single-deck sheds are each 100 feet wide, lying on either side of a central depressed track area containing four tracks, and flanked on their outer sides by areas each containing two tracks. The total freight storage space is about 502,000 square feet, while the car storage space provides capacity for about 200 freight cars.

Freight Handling Facilities.

Ample arrangements are made for the transfer of freight. As already stated, two railway tracks run along the deck outside the sheds on each side of the pier, while a travelling gantry crane runs along the edge of each side of the pier, this arrangement allowing such commodities as lumber, automobiles, etc., to be transferred directly from railway cars to ships or vice versa. The four depressed tracks in the centre of the pier are for the transfer of freight to and from the sheds. Continuous sliding doors are installed on both the inner and outer sides of the sheds, and consequently freight may be transferred directly from the slings to railroad cars in the centre of the pier. On the inboard side of the sheds the columns supporting the roof have been set back 10 feet from the line of the sliding doors so as to avoid the necessity of spotting cars closely.

PRESERVING BIG GAME IN SIAM.

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY TO PETITION THE KING.

A meeting of the members of the Natural History Section of the Siam Society, Bangkok, have decided to approach His Majesty, the Patron of the Society, and the Supreme Council of State, on the danger of the present unrestricted killing of wild animals in Siam. It is generally believed that the numbers of certain wild animals in Siam have been materially reduced in recent years, and the total extinction of some of them seems inevitable under existing conditions. The members of the Natural History Section in moving to approach the Sovereign, made it quite plain that they had no idea of interfering with legitimate sport, but the slaughter which was going on was certain to result in time in the total extermination of some of the most interesting creatures which give distinction to Siam in the realm of zoology. There is no restriction imposed on the slaughter of animals at present except in the case of the elephant and it is recommended that immediate action be taken to arrest the impending extinction of both the one horned and the two horned rhinoceros in Siam, by the establishment of an absolute close season for a term of years, not less than five and preferably ten. There seems every reason to believe that the Society's recommendations will meet with favourable consideration, particularly in view of the well-known aversion of Buddhists to take any form of life.

Special Equipment.

Of the special equipment provided on the pier, perhaps the most important is the system of eight marine elevators, three on each side and two on the outboard end. These elevators, known on the Pacific coast as the Barlow type, are constructed so that when the elevator is lowered an apron projects outward into the side port of local coast boats, thus enabling freight to be moved directly from the ship to the deck of the pier. Most of the coast boats are loaded and unloaded entirely from their side ports, but the ocean going vessels use their side ports only for the transfer of baggage, silk and similar valuable cargo. The deck of the pier above these marine elevators consists of a steel bridge which is constructed so as to carry the two railway tracks and the crane rail. Mechanism is provided so that these bridges may be hoisted vertically a distance of 15 feet, thus clearing the elevator shafts for the operation of the elevators. In addition to the Barlow elevators, there are two 10-ton baggage elevators connecting the deck of the pier with the baggage room on the upper floor of the headhouse. On the viaduct between piers B-C and D there is also installed one 20-ton team elevator, with a 12 feet by 35 feet platform.

Electric Power and Lighting Circuits.

Complete arrangements have been made for general services such as electricity, oil, water and fire protection. Three phase electric power will be supplied at 2,300 volts to two transformer stations situated in vaults under the deck of the pier, one at each end, and 110/3-conductor armoured cable will be used for transmitting current power to these stations and also for connecting the stations together, thus completing a ring system of feed in which any section of the cable can be cut out without interrupting the service.

The two vaults, of reinforced concrete construction, will consist of two rooms each, one carrying all the 2,300 volt equipment and the other all the 550 and 220-110 volt switching equipment for power and lighting service respectively. The switchboard in this latter room consists of externally operated fused switch boxes mounted directly on the wall. Space has been left near the 550-volt system for the installation of static condensers. The lighting system will be 220-110 volt grounded neutral with three wire branch circuits, this installation being considerably cheaper than the customary 110-volt circuit two wire system.

The Oil Supply System.

Fuel and Diesel oil systems are being installed on the pier, the plans allowing this pier to be tied in with pier A on the west and pier D on the east. Three 55,000-bbl. fuel oil tanks are located to the west of pier A and supply both A and D with oil through 10-in. mains. Pier B-C will be supplied with fuel oil by a loop main encircling the structure and tied in with the present system so that two vessels in any position at either pier A or pier B-C can be fueled at the same time. A 55,000-bbl. Diesel oil tank is situated beside the fuel oil tanks and a six-inch line from this feeds the pier. Two fuel oil and two Diesel oil outlets are located on each side of the pier, and two fuel outlets and one Diesel outlet on the outer end, six-inch outlets being provided for both fuel and Diesel oil.

CHURCH NOTICES.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL, HONG KONG.

April 2nd, 1927, 5th Sunday in Lent.—Holy Communion at 8 a.m. Children's Service at 10 a.m. Matins at 11 a.m. Sermon by Rev. E. Copley Moyle. Subject—"Holt."

Holy Communion at 12 noon. Evensong at 6 p.m. Sermon by Rev. W. T. Featherstone. Subject—"The Education of Christ."

A social gathering will be held in the Cathedral Hall after Evensong. Music, Light Refreshments. Service men specially welcome.

THURSDAY, April 5th at 6 p.m.—Church of England Men's Society.

THURSDAY, April 7th at 5.45 p.m.—Choral Evensong and Address by the Rev. H. G. Hewitt, M.A.

UNION CHURCH, (KENNEDY ROAD).

SUNDAY SERVICES, April 2nd.—Morning Service at 11.30 a.m.—Hymns: 128, 438, 153 and 438. Communion at 11.30.—Open to all Christians.

Evensong at 6 p.m.—Hymns: 54, 509, 506, 489 and 666. Preacher both Morning and Evening: Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald.

WEDNESDAY, April 5th, at 8.15 p.m.—Singles and Sailors Christian Association.

FRIDAY, April 7th, at 8.30 p.m.—Christian Endeavour Meeting and Social Hour.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, MACDONNELL ROAD, BELOW BOWEN ROAD TRAM STATION.

SUNDAY SERVICE, April 3rd, at 11.15 a.m.—Subject—"UNREALITY."

Wednesday Evening Meeting at 5.30 p.m. Reading Room at above address, open Monday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 Noon; Tuesday and Thursday, 5 to 7 p.m. The Public is cordially invited to attend the services and visit the Reading Room.

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CONSIGNEES are hereby informed that their Goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored into the Godowns of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence Delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before the Thursday, the 7th April, 1927, or they will not be recognized.

Damaged Packages will be examined by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10.00 a.m. on Monday Morning, the 4th April, 1927, at 10.00 a.m.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

J. LIMAGE, Agent.

Hong Kong, 29th March, 1927. [4746]

THE BEN LINE STEAMERS, LIMITED.

FROM MIDDLESBRO, ANTWERP LONDON, STRAITS AND PHILIPPINES.

The Steamship "BENCLUECH."

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves, Delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 6th April, 1927, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 20th April, 1927, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 6th April, 1927, at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD. Agents.

Hong Kong, 30th March, 1927. [4745]

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CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

AMERICAN & ORIENTAL LINE.

FROM NEW YORK.

THE Motor Vessel "CLYDEBANK" having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence Delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 8th April, 1927, at 4 p.m. will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Vessel must be presented to the Underwriter, on or before 15th April, 1927, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Friday, 8th April, 1927, at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by THE BANK LINE, LTD., General Agents.

Hong Kong, 1st April, 1927. [4736]

CHINA NAVIGATION

COMPANY, LIMITED.

SWATOW & SHANGHAI "YINGCHOW"	On 3rd April, 10 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK "XAYING"	On 3rd April, 10 a.m.
AMOI, SHANGHAI & "ANHUI"	On 4th April, 6 a.m.
TSINGTAO "SZECHUEN"	On 5th April, 6 a.m.
HOIHOW & HAIPHONG "TEAN"	On 7th April, Noon
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & "SOOCHOW"	On 8th April, 10 a.m.
SWATOW, SINGAPORE & "KWEIYANG"	On 8th April, 10 a.m.
AMOI, SWATOW SINGAPORE & BANGKOK "KWANGTUNG"	On 10th April, 6 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK "KALGAN"	On 10th April, Noon
WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENHSIN "HUOCHOW"	On 13th April, 4 p.m.

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TAIPING	10th May	17th May
CHANGTE	11th June	18th June
TAIPING	8th July	15th July

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Sailings from Hongkong:

S.S. "TEUCER"	Via Suez Canal	8th April
S.S. "CITY OF DUNKIRK"	Via Suez Canal	20th April
S.S. "EUMAEUS"	Via Suez Canal	8th May

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S.S. "CAPT. FAURE" ... 15th April.
S.S. "SI-KIANG" ... 15th May.

S.S. "MIN" due to arrive from DUNKIRK, LONDON, HAVRE about the 22nd April.

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS (Mail Service)

Steamers	Sailings from Marseilles	Arr. at Hong Kong & Sailings for Shanghai and Japan	Sailings from Hong Kong for Marseilles
G. METZINGER	...	...	12th April
AMAZONE	...	...	25th April
CHENONOUX	...	...	10th May
ATOS II	...	...	24th May
DARTAGNAN	...	...	7th June
ANGERS	...	...	21st June

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3, Quai de Commerce, 3, Quai de Commerce,
Telephone: Central 740.
CONSIGNATION—TRANSIT—REPRESENTATION.

Shipping News Arrivals and Departures, etc.

ARRIVALS.

March 21st.
Chung King, Chinese str., 249 tons, Capt. Leung Sau Kong, from Kwong Chow Wan, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C44—Hong On S.S. Co.
Meyuichi Maru, Japanese str., 4,320 tons, Capt. T. Kurita, from Kobe and Hilo, with hemp and general cargo, lying at buoy No. A3—N.Y.K.
Yanching British str., 1,560 tons, Capt. J. M. Hopkins, from Shanghai and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B33—B. & S.
Prominent, Norwegian str., 1,377 tons, Capt. W. Engeström, from Saigon, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B12—Karsten Larsen & Co.
Sui Sang, British str., 1,983 tons, Capt. P. Jowitt, from Calcutta, which port she left on March 10th, with a general cargo, cargo, lying at Kwloon Wharf—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
April 1st.
Awa Maru, Japanese str., 3,747 tons, Capt. K. Harada, from Bombay and Singapore. The latter port she left on March 10th, with a general cargo, lying at Yumati—Nanyo Yusen Kaisha.
Onyong, British str., 2,450 tons, Capt. H. J. Small, from Hong Kong, with a cargo of coal, lying at Stoicutt—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
Tunkin, French str., 848 tons, Capt. F. L. Mervan, from Haiphong, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A6—Messageries Maritimes.

CLEARANCES.

April 1st.
Awa Maru, for Nagasaki.
City of Bunkyo, for Manila.
Fuk Tai, for Bangkok.
Hatching, for Swatow.
La Crescenta, for Manila.
Livingstone, for Bangkok.
Macassar Maru, for Moji.
Miyoshi Maru, for Shanghai.
Onyong, for Shanghai.
Orji, for Samarinda.
St. Albans, for Manila.
Sui Sang, for Amoy.
Tunkin Maru, for Canton.
Tak King, for Amoy.
Telemebus, for Singapore.
Tinhon, for Shanghai.
War Pindari, for Singapore.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Jenex (Blue Funnel), due May 2nd.
Agapenor (Blue Funnel), due May 25th.
Africa (Manners), due April 25th.
Antelope (Blue Funnel), due April 5th.
Antelope (Blue Funnel), due April 22nd.
Antelope (E. & A.), due to-morrow.
Antelope (Blue Funnel), due May 21st.
Bismarck (Bon Line), due to-day.
Carmarthenshire (Jardine), due April 5th.
Changte (B. & S.), due April 8th.
Coblenz (Melchers), due May 4th.
Dracon (Melchers), due May 10th.
Dracon (Blue Funnel), due April 17th.
Elpenor (Blue Funnel), due April 28th.
Empress of Asia (C.P.R.), due April 29th.
Empress of Russia (C.P.R.), due April 30th.
Fulda (Melchers), due May 31st.
Glenelg (Blue Funnel), due April 14th.
Glenelg (Jardine), due April 14th.
Glenelg (Jardine), due May 1st.
Hector (Blue Funnel), due to-day.
Hessen (Jensen), due April 8th.
Japan (Swed. E.A. Co.), due April 10th.
Jepore (P. & O.), due April 14th.
Kashmir (P. & O.), due May 12th.
Khiva (P. & O.), due April 14th.
Kt Companion (Blue Funnel), due April 15th.
Ludwigshafen (Melchers), due to-morrow.
Mantua (P. & O.), due May 28th.
Mantua (P. & O.), due April 25th.
Mantua (P. & O.), due May 10th.
Nellore (P. & O.), due April 14th.
Nyanya (P. & O.), due April 28th.
Phenix (Blue Funnel), due May 5th.
President Jackson (D.S. & A.M.L.), due to-morrow.
Pruisen (Jensen), due May 19th.
Salabangka (J.C.L.), due April 5th.
Sarpedon (Blue Funnel), due May 25th.
Schwaben (Melchers), due April 21st.
Scharnecken (Melchers), due April 6th.
Tanda (E. & A.), due May 7th.
Tantulus (Blue Funnel), due May 13th.

WITHIN CALL.

The following ships are expected to be in wireless communication with Cape D'Aguiar today:
Tilman, Kalgan, Nagato Maru, Taka, Glenelg, Malva, Fingal, Hecol, Hector, Hai Ning, Ceylon Maru, Wapindari.

THE "FEE HANG."

STEAM LAUNCH SOLD.

At Messrs. Lammert Brothers Auction Rooms, Duddell Street, yesterday afternoon, there was sold, by order of the mortgagee, the steam launch *Fee Hang*.
A feature of the sale was that with no advance on the upset price of \$2,300, the launch was withdrawn but was put up again at the reduced figure of \$2,000, with bids of \$50 acceptable, and then some what surprisingly fetched \$250 more than the original starting price. Bidding on the second upset was very brisk.
The launch was sold together with all her machinery, stores, and fittings, etc. Her dimensions and capacity are:—Length, 31 feet 2 inches; Breadth, 11 feet 2 inches; Depth, 5 feet 7 inches; Gross Tonnage, 21.
As stated, she was knocked down at \$2,750 to Mr. Yeung Shu Fan.

MR. KIPLING AT RIO.

AND HOW HE SAW AN ARMADILLO.

Mr. Rudyard Kipling, who is staying in Brazil as the guest of the Government, has received rather an embarrassing gift from a Brazilian admirer—a live armadillo, which was sent to his hotel. The author kept his "pet" for one day and then returned it to the sender with a letter explaining that life in an hotel was "too terrible a fate for an armadillo."
The armadillo, a burrowing animal with its body protected by bony plates, inhabits the forests and pampas of Southern and Central America. Most people are familiar with the song in which the singer desires to "roll down to Rio" from Mr. Kipling's verses which include the lines:
I've never seen a Jaguar
Nor yet an Armadillo—
O dilling in his armour,
And I s'pose I never will,
Unless I go to Rio.

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PRESIDENT JACKSON ... Tuesday, April 12th, 5.00 a.m.

PRESIDENT MCINLEY ... Tuesday, Apr. 26th

PRESIDENT LINCOLN ... Tuesday, May 10th

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND ... Tuesday, May 24th

PRESIDENT PIERCE ... Tuesday, June 7th

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Apr. 12	San Francisco	Aqueduct	May 11	C'brg-S'mp'tn May 17
Apr. 20	Seattle	U.S. Washington	May 18	P'mth-C'brg May 27
Apr. 26	San Francisco	Republic	May 29	P'mth-C'brg June 6
May 4	Seattle	Argentina	May 31	C'brg-S'mp'tn June 6
May 10	San Francisco	Homeric	June 11	C'brg-S'mp'tn June 17
May 18	Seattle	Mauretania	June 16	P'mth-C'brg June 21
May 24	San Francisco	Majestic	June 26	C'brg-S'mp'tn July 1
June 1	Seattle	Berengaria	July 29	C'brg-S'mp'tn July 5
June 7	San Francisco	Olympic	July 30	C'brg-S'mp'tn July 15
June 15	Seattle	Aqueduct	July 13	C'brg-S'mp'tn July 19
June 21	San Francisco	Homeric	July 23	C'brg-S'mp'tn July 29

TO SEATTLE AND VICTORIA VIA SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

"THE FAST SHORT ROUTE"

PRESIDENT PIERCE ... Tuesday, April 5th, Midnight

PRESIDENT TART ... Wednesday, Apr. 20th

PRESIDENT JEFFERSON ... Wednesday, May 4th

PRESIDENT GRANT ... Wednesday, May 18th

PRESIDENT MADISON ... Wednesday, June 1st

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TO EUROPE AND NEW YORK.

VIA MANILA, STRAITS, COLOMBO, SUEZ—

PORT SAID—ALEXANDRIA—NAPLES

—GENOA—MARSEILLES.

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PRESIDENT POLK ... Tuesday, Apr. 12th, 8.00 a.m.

PRESIDENT ADAMS ... Tuesday, Apr. 26th, 8.00 a.m.

PRESIDENT GARFIELD ... Tuesday, May 10th, 8.00 a.m.

PRESIDENT HARRISON ... Tuesday, May 24th, 8.00 a.m.

PRESIDENT MONROE ... Tuesday, June 7th, 8.00 a.m.

Thereafter Fortnightly Sailings on Tuesdays.

TO MANILA.

PRESIDENT JACKSON ... Apr. 4th, 6.00 p.m.

PRESIDENT POLK ... Apr. 12th, 8.00 a.m.

PRESIDENT TART ... Apr. 12th, 6.00 p.m.

PRESIDENT MCINLEY ... Apr. 18th, 6.00 p.m.

PRESIDENT ADAMS ... Apr. 26th, 8.00 a.m.

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TSINGTAU via SWATOW	"FOOSHING" Tuesday, 5th April, at daylight
SHANGHAI	"CHEONGSHING" Tuesday, 5th April, at daylight
TSINGTAU via SINGAPORE	"CHAKSANG" Tuesday, 5th April, at Noon
TSINGTAU via SWATOW	"HANGSANG" Thursday, 7th April, at 7 a.m.
SHANGHAI	"MAUSANG" Thursday, 7th April, at 9 p.m.
SANDAKAN	"RUMSANG" Saturday, 9th April, at 3 p.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW	"MINGSANG" Sunday, 10th April, at 7 a.m.
SHANGHAI	"YATSING" Wednesday, 13th April, at 7 a.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW	"KUTSANG" Friday, 15th April, at 3 p.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW	"CHIPSING" Sunday, 17th April, at daylight
SHANGHAI	"WAISHING" Sunday, 17th April, at 7 a.m.

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Motor Vessel "GLENLUCE"	...	4th May
Motor Vessel "GLENBEG"	...	1st June
Steamship "CARNARVONSHIRE"	...	29th June

SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & VLADIVOSTOCK.

Steamship "CARMARTHENSIRE"	...	8th April
Motor Vessel "GLENBEG"	...	14th April
Motor Vessel "GLENHARRY"	...	3rd May
Steamship "CARNARVONSHIRE"	...	12th May
Motor Vessel "GLENHARRY"	...	25th May

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M.V. "ESQUILINO"	...	Sails on or about 2nd April
S.S. "VENEZIA"	...	Sails on or about 28th April

HOMEWARDS FOR BRINDISI, VENICE AND TRIESTE

M.V. "REMO"	...	Sails on or about 8th April
M.V. "ESQUILINO"	...	Sails on or about 3rd May
S.S. "VENEZIA"	...	Sails on or about 31st May

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EMPEROR OF ASIA	May 1	May 4	May 7	May 10	May 19
EMPEROR OF CANADA	May 11	May 14	May 17	May 20	May 29
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	May 22	May 25	May 28	May 31	June 10
EMPEROR OF ASIA	June 11	June 14	June 17	June 20	June 29
EMPEROR OF CANADA	June 22	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 10
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	July 11	July 14	July 17	July 20	July 29
EMPEROR OF ASIA	Aug. 1	Aug. 4	Aug. 7	Aug. 10	Aug. 19
EMPEROR OF CANADA	Aug. 22	Aug. 25	Aug. 28	Sept. 1	Sept. 10
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Sept. 11	Sept. 14	Sept. 17	Sept. 20	Sept. 29
EMPEROR OF ASIA	Sept. 22	Sept. 25	Sept. 28	Oct. 1	Oct. 10

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YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

IMPORTS DOWN THROUGH CARGOES FAIR.
BRITISH STEAMERS BEST CARRIERS.

To the total amount of general cargo entering this port and carried for ports beyond during the 24 hours ended at 6 a.m. yesterday, British vessels were the best contributors. Local imports showed a decrease and through-cargoes were fair.

Of the thirteen vessels arriving during that period, twelve discharged here. The total amount of general cargo unloaded was 7,961 tons, of which, 4,529 tons were from British bottoms. In addition to general merchandise, there were also 1,800 tons of coal brought into the Colony.

The two best returns were shown by the S.S. *Prominent* from Saigon which brought 2,492 tons and the British steamer *Lakore* from Rotterdam and Singapore, 1,404 tons.

Through freights were manifested on six vessels. The total amount carried was 12,288 tons. Of these, four British steamers contributed 6,288 tons. There were also 1,020 tons of coal brought down by the *Taipei Maru* from Yokohama.

The two best returns were 6,215 tons and 2,455 tons. The former were registered by the "British steamer *Delta*, from Bombay and Singapore, and the latter were on the *Ceylon Maru*, from Yokohama and Moji.

During the period under review, there were 13 arrivals and 11 departures. The nationalities were:—British, 7 arrivals and 5 departures; Japanese, 4 arrivals and 1 departure; German, 1 departure; Danish, 1 departure; French, 1 departure; Chinese, 1 arrival and 1 departure; Dutch, 1 departure; Norwegian, 1 arrival.

The following were the cargo carriers:—

S.S. *Delta* (British) from Bombay and Singapore, 420 tons general for Hong Kong, and 6,215 tons for other ports.

S.S. *Lakore* (British) from Rotterdam and Singapore, 1,404 tons general for Hong Kong, and iron and general (amount not specified) for other ports.

S.S. *Whitching* (British) from Fochew and Amoy, 300 tons general for Hong Kong.

S.S. *City of Bombay* (British) from New York and Iloilo, 257 tons general for Hong Kong.

S.S. *Calcutta* (British) from Calcutta and Singapore, 695 tons general and 15 cases opium for Hong Kong, and 1,573 tons for other ports.

S.S. *Nanchang* (British) from Shanghai and Swatow, 350 tons general for Hong Kong and 700 tons for other ports.

S.S. *Prominent* (Norwegian) from Saigon, 2,452 tons general for Hong Kong.

S.S. *Maybelle Maru* (Japanese) from Kobe and Iloilo, 38 tons hemp for Hong Kong, and 2,035 tons coconut oil and 4,000 tons sugar for other ports.

S.S. *Mitsunaru Maru* (Japanese) from Sourabaya and Balikpapan, 280 tons molasses and 15 tons rattan for Hong Kong, and 4,290 tons maize and 545 tons general for other ports.

(Continued on next column).

DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

CANTON BOATS NEW SCHEDULE.
FISHING NETS AND BOAT STOLEN.

[BY LONGSHOREMAN.]

Yesterday the harbour was obscured by fog, but it was not so thick as to hinder the movements of the smaller crafts. Loading and discharging of steamers were carried out as usual. The fog outside Lyceum was denser and several steamers were held up there.

River Boats New Schedule.
As the S.S. *Kinsan* is now in dock, the service to and from Canton is now being maintained by the *Taiwan*, *Lungshan* and *Fatshan*. There will be two sailings each way every day.

The boat which leaves Hong Kong at 8 a.m. will return at 2.30 on the following day and will sail again for Canton at 2 a.m. reaching Canton at 9 a.m. This boat will then leave from Canton at 3 p.m. and arrives here at 9 p.m. She will then revert to the 8 a.m. sailing from Hong Kong. This new schedule will allow a stop-over of about six hours.

Yesterday's sailings were the *Lungshan* at 2 a.m. and the *Taiwan* arrived here at 3 p.m. and sailed this morning at 2 a.m.

Fishing Nets Stolen.
Thirty six fishing nets, valued at \$108, have been stolen between Junk Bay and Lyceum. The nets were laid out by fishing boats.

We Won't Do It Again.
Three Chinese were yesterday morning charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell with the theft of a small boat at Shaikwan. They all pleaded "guilty" and when asked why they did it the first accused who spoke for all three blandly remarked: "We won't do it again."

Magistrate: I suppose you took the other two with you?—We all went together.
But it was your plan?—Yes.
Sgt. Meadows said that the boat was sold by first accused for \$3.50.

This man was sentenced to four weeks' hard labour and the other two to three weeks each.

The Mail.
The following mails were brought into the Colony yesterday:—From Bombay and Singapore, 76 bags; Rotterdam, London and Singapore, 170 bags; Shanghai and Swatow, 5 bags; Sourabaya and Balikpapan, 2 bags; Japan, 29 bags; Kwang Chow Wan, 1 bag; London and Singapore by the S.S. *Malwa*, 361 bags letters and 142 bags parcels.

S.S. *Ceylon Maru* (Japanese) from Yokohama and Moji, 497 tons general for Hong Kong, and 2,455 tons for other ports.

S.S. *Taipei Maru* (Japanese) from Kobe and Iloilo, 38 tons hemp for Hong Kong, and 2,035 tons coconut oil and 4,000 tons sugar for other ports.

S.S. *Chung Hing* (Chinese) from Kwang Chow Wan, 180 tons general for Hong Kong.

S.S. *Malwa* (British) from London and Singapore, 800 tons general for other ports, and 500 tons for other ports.

No Lights.

Pleading that the wind blew his lights out, the master of a fishing junk was fined \$10 or ten days' hard labour by Lt.-Comdr. G. F. Hole, at the Marine Court yesterday, for being underway in the Southern fairway without exhibiting regulation lights.

Inward Chinese Passengers.
The returns for the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday, showed that another batch of 971 Chinese deck passengers had entered the Colony. They, as usual, were mostly from Swatow.

Changing Name.
The Sui Hing Navigation Co., Ltd., of 153, Connaught Road Central, 2nd floor, in consequence of similarity to a name in the British Mercantile Navy, have applied to the Board of Trade for permission to change the name of the unregistered lighter *On Shun* of a gross tonnage of 101.97 tons, and a registered tonnage of 175 tons, previously owned by Fung Yik Man, of 18, Circular Pathway, to *On Man*, and to have her registered in this port under her new name as being owned by the Sui Hing Navigation Co., Ltd.

The P. & O. s.s. *Kalyan*, from Hong Kong, arrived in London on March 31st at 8 a.m.
The R.M.S. *Empress of Canada* left Manila on Friday, April 1st, at 4 p.m., and is due at Wosung on Monday, April 4th, at 2 a.m.
The E. & A. Co.'s s.s. *Arifura* left Manila for this port on the afternoon of March 31st, with the outward Australian mails, and is due here on April 3rd at about day-light.

WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks issued by the Royal Observatory at 8.40 p.m. stated:—
The anti-cyclone is central over N.E. Japan. The depression S.W. of Haiphong is stationary.
Local forecast:—S.E. winds, moderate, overcast, fog, occasional rain.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONG KONG.

FOR APRIL, 1927

STANDARD TIME OF THE 120th MERIDIAN, EAST OF GREENWICH.

Date.	Sunrise.	Sunset.
April 2nd	6.16 a.m.	6.38 p.m.
3rd	6.15	6.39
4th	6.14	6.39
5th	6.13	6.39
6th	6.12	6.40
7th	6.12	6.41
8th	6.11	6.41
9th	6.10	6.41
10th	6.09	6.41
11th	6.08	6.42
12th	6.07	6.42
13th	6.06	6.42
14th	6.05	6.43
15th	6.04	6.43
16th	6.03	6.43
17th	6.02	6.44
18th	6.02	6.44
19th	6.01	6.45
20th	6.00	6.45
21st	5.59	6.45
22nd	5.59	6.45
23rd	5.58	6.45
24th	5.57	6.47
25th	5.56	6.47
26th	5.56	6.47

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"KEYBER"	9,114	11th April, 4 p.m.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Hamburg, Bremen, and Harre.
"DEVANHA"	9,155	18th April	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Harre.
"ALIPPORE"	9,273	20th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"DELTA"	9,097	27th April	Marseilles and London.
"MALWA"	10,350	30th April	Marseilles and London.
"LAKORE"	9,259	10th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"NELLORE"	9,353	11th May	Singapore, Penang, Colombo, B'way, and Keraqui.
"KHIVA"	9,133	14th May	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"JEYPORE"	9,318	20th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"NYANZA"	7,023	25th May	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"MOOREA"	10,198	28th May	Marseilles and London.
"KASHMIR"	9,905	11th June	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"KALYAN"	9,144	9th July	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	23rd July	Marseilles and London.
"KASHGAR"	9,905	6th Aug.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"RAWALPINDI"	10,519	20th Aug.	Marseilles and London.
"KARMALA"	9,123	3rd Sept.	Marseilles, London, & Antwerp.

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"TAKADA"	5,949	3rd April, 10 a.m.	Singapore, Penang and Calcutta
"JANUS"	4,824	17th April	do.
"TILAWA"	10,000	25th April	do.
"TALMA"	10,000	30th April	do.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (SOUTH)

"ARAFURA"	5,000	25th April	Manila, Sandakan, Iloilo, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.
"TANDA"	5,956	3rd June	do.
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"ARAFURA"	5,000	29th July	do.

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"TILAWA"	10,000	3rd April, 8 a.m.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"ARAFURA"	5,000	5th April	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
"TALMA"	10,000	6th April	Moji, Kobe and Osaka.
"JEYPORE"	9,318	15th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
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U.S.A., CANADA, JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Pres. Jackson	3rd April
AUSTRALIA & MANILA	Straym	4th April
JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Antenor	5th April
CANADA, U.S.A., JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Emp. of Russia	5th April

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Bangkok	Due	Saturday, 2nd, 8.30 A.M.
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Haiphong	Tonkin	10.30 P.M.
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Bangkok	Ikman Maru	3.30 P.M.
Amoy	Tianwu	5.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Kaijo Maru	Sunday, 3rd, 8.30 A.M.
Swatow and Bangkok	Hayang	8.30 A.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu and San Francisco via San Francisco, 29th April & EUROPE via Suez	Hector	Monday, 4th, 8.30 A.M.
Manila	Tenjo Maru	Reg. 9.45 A.M.
Swatow	Pres. Jackson	10.30 P.M.
Amoy	Coasting	4.30 P.M.
Amoy	Seachuen	5.00 P.M.
Straits	Ullakung	Tuesday, 5th, 10.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Fuchow	Zus Chung	Noon
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A. & S. America & EUROPE via Victoria, B.C. due Victoria, B.C., 25th April	Pres. Pierce	Parcels 3.00 P.M. Letters 4.15 P.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Suez	Antenor	Reg. 9.45 A.M. Letters 10.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Kotou Maru	Parcels 5.00 P.M.
Japan, Canada, U.S.A. & S. America & EUROPE via Victoria, B.C. due Victoria, B.C., 2nd May	Achilles	Reg. 7th, 9.45 A.M. Letters 10.30 A.M.
Hankow and Haiphong	Tenjo	Thursday, 7th, 10.30 A.M.
Sandakan	Munwang	1.30 P.M.
Manila	Tenjo	Friday, 8th, 12.30 P.M.
Manila	Emp. of Russia	Sunday, 10th, 8.00 A.M.

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O. L. SANDES, Manager. 7, Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, June 17th, 1923. [29]

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H. MORI, Manager. Hong Kong, 11th March, 1927. [36]

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Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.

CHE. GEM, Manager. Hong Kong, 30th March, 1924. [32]

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HEAD OFFICE: HONG KONG. No. 10, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL \$10,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$5,000,000

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T. TAKAGI, Manager. Hong Kong Branch, 8, Des Voeux Road, Central, Hong Kong, 11th May, 1926. [37]

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LOOK POON SHAN, Chief Manager. [3]

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Reserve Fund £24,000,000

Reserve Liability of Proprietors £23,000,000

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FOREIGN EXCHANGES and General Banking Business transacted.

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J. E. GEORGE, Manager. Hong Kong, 7th March, 1927. [30]

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A. ROLLIN, Manager. Hong Kong, 2nd December, 1926.

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